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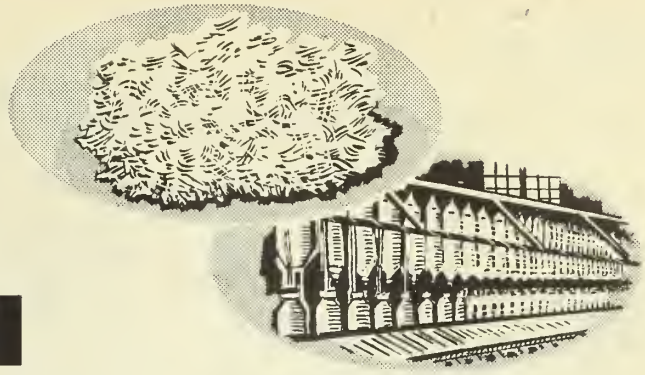

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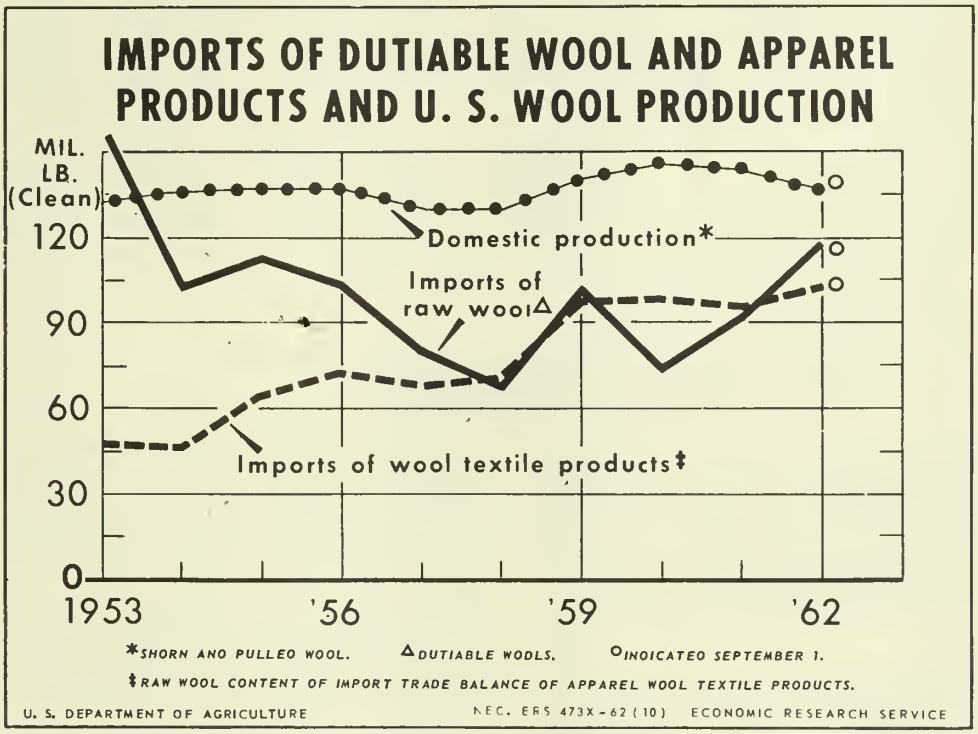

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Wool Situation at a Glance

Year	Unit	1961 June	1961 July	1961 Aug.	1962 June	1962 July	1962 Aug.
Average price received by farmers, grease basis	Ct. per lb.	43.3	42.1	41.0	46.4	45.7	45.1
Parity price 1/	Ct. per lb.	74.7	74.7	74.9	73.5	73.5	73.5
Farm price as a percentage of parity	Pct.	58	56	55	63	62	61
Domestic prices, Boston, clean basis 2/							
Graded territory							
Fine, good French combing and staple	Ct. per lb.	120.0	120.1	122.8	124.5	125.2	127.5
1/2 blood, good French combing and staple	Ct. per lb.	112.5	112.5	113.6	117.5	118.4	121.0
Graded fleece							
3/8 blood, good French combing and staple	Ct. per lb.	102.2	101.0	105.2	107.5	107.5	107.5
1/4 blood, good French combing and staple	Ct. per lb.	98.8	98.2	102.6	104.5	105.1	105.5
Original bag Texas, fine 12 months good French combing and staple	Ct. per lb.	122.5	122.5	123.5	132.5	132.5	132.5
Imported prices, Boston, clean, excluding duty 2/							
Australian, 64's, 70's, good topmaking	Ct. per lb.	112.5	112.5	112.5	117.5	117.5	117.5
Australian, 64's combing	Ct. per lb.	107.5	107.5	107.5	112.5	112.5	112.5
Montevideo, 0's (58's, 60's)	Ct. per lb.	90.5	90.5	90.5	100.0	100.0	100.0
Montevideo, 2's (50's)	Ct. per lb.	85.5	85.5	85.5	95.0	95.0	95.0
Buenos Aires, 5's (40's)	Ct. per lb.	77.5	77.5	77.5	68.5	68.5	68.5
BLS Wholesale price index 3/							
All commodities	1957-59=100	99.5	99.9	100.1	100.0	100.4	100.5
Textile products and apparel	1957-59=100	99.0	99.2	99.5	100.8	100.9	100.8
Wool products	1957-59=100	97.1	97.3	97.8	99.1	99.3	99.3
Wool broadwoven fabrics	1957-59=100	97.8	97.9	97.9	99.2	99.4	99.4
Personal income payments (adjusted) 4/	Bil. dol.	416.4	420.1	418.3	440.7	441.9	442.8
Retail store sales (apparel group adjusted) 4/	Mil. dol.	1,136	1,118	1,177	1,114	1,200	1,229
Mill consumption, scoured basis 5/							
Average weekly rate (unadjusted) 6/							
Apparel wool	1,000 lb.	5,441	4,776	5,607	5,765	4,650	5,538
Carpet wool	1,000 lb.	2,585	2,324	3,287	2,983	2,035	3,309
Average weekly rate (seasonally adjusted) 6/							
Apparel wool	1,000 lb.	4,951	4,869	5,177	5,255	4,726	5,114
Carpet wool	1,000 lb.	3,114	3,188	3,139	3,590	2,780	3,154
Monthly aggregates 6/							
Apparel wool	Mil. lb.	27.2	19.1	22.4	23.1	23.3	22.2
Carpet wool	Mil. lb.	12.9	9.3	13.1	11.9	10.2	13.2
Accumulated since January 1							
Apparel wool	Mil. lb.	127.5	146.6	169.1	146.2	169.4	191.6
Carpet wool	Mil. lb.	69.3	78.6	91.7	72.3	82.5	95.7
Total apparel and carpet	Mil. lb.	196.8	225.2	260.8	218.5	251.9	287.3
Imports for consumption, clean content							
Monthly aggregates							
Dutiable wools	1,000 lb.	7,352	7,954	6,407	8,802	8,584	8,007
Duty-free wools	1,000 lb.	12,610	16,149	12,540	13,164	7,748	15,974
Accumulated since January 1							
Dutiable wools	Mil. lb.	46.6	54.5	61.0	66.1	74.8	82.8
Duty-free wools	Mil. lb.	79.8	96.0	108.5	65.9	73.6	89.6
Total dutiable and duty-free	Mil. lb.	126.4	150.5	169.5	132.0	148.4	172.3
Manmade staple and tow prices							
Acrilan 3 and 5 denier 7/	Ct. per lb.	122.0	122.0	122.0	118.0	118.0	118.0
Dacron, 3 denier, type 54 7/	Ct. per lb.	124.0	124.0	124.0	114.0	114.0	114.0
Orlon, 3 denier 7/	Ct. per lb.	130.0	130.0	130.0	118.0	118.0	118.0
Viscose, 1 1/2 denier 8/	Ct. per lb.	27.0	27.0	27.0	27.0	27.0	27.0

1/ Effective parity prices as computed currently using base prices in effect and indexes for months indicated. These are the legally applicable parity prices for the following month. 2/ From Weekly Review of the Boston Wool Market. 3/ United States Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics. 4/ United States Department of Commerce (seasonally adjusted annual rates). 5/ On woolen and worsted systems; excludes wool consumed on the cotton and other spinning systems and in the manufacture of processed felt, hat bodies, and other miscellaneous products. 6/ 4 or 5 weeks generally totaling 13 weeks per quarter. 7/ From Modern Textile Magazine. 8/ From Textile Organon.

THE WOOL SITUATION

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SUMMARY 1/

The outlook for the U. S. wool industry in 1963 is for a moderate increase over 1962 in domestic consumption of wool, reflecting a continued increase in imports of wool textile products, a relatively stable mill use of apparel wool, and an increase in mill use of carpet wool. A decline is expected in shorn wool production due to fewer numbers of sheep. Slightly lower imports of dutiable raw wool and moderately higher imports of duty-free wool can be expected. Increased interfiber competition will result from lower prices for manmade fibers.

Domestic consumption of wool -- mill consumption plus the raw wool equivalent of the import balance of foreign trade in wool textile products -- likely will total 560 million pounds in 1962. This will be 5 percent greater than in 1961 and 15 percent more than the 1955-59 average. This expected increase in domestic consumption in 1962 is due to a substantial increase in imports of apparel wool textile products and moderate increases in mill use of apparel and carpet wools and imports of carpeting and rugs.

U. S. mill use of apparel wool in 1962 is expected to total approximately 270 million pounds, scoured basis, based on the seasonally adjusted rates of mill use during the first 8 months. This is 3 percent above 1961 but somewhat less than forecast early in the year. However, mill use has been trending down since early 1962. With inventories of gray and finished fabrics less than at midyear and unfilled orders, although down from midyear, above year-earlier levels, the downtrend in consumption likely will level off, resulting in mill use of apparel wool in 1963 at about the same level as this year.

Mill use of carpet wool in 1962 is expected to total 150 million pounds, scoured basis, based on the seasonally adjusted rates of mill use during the first 8 months. This will be 2 percent above 1961, but less than that used in 1959 and 1960. A further moderate increase in mill use of carpet wool can be expected in 1963, as consumer incomes and home and office building construction rates are expected to continue slowly upward.

The raw wool equivalent of the U. S. foreign trade in wool textile products will amount to a record high import balance of approximately 140 million pounds in

1/ The analysis in this report was made prior to the Cuban quarantine and was based on the assumption that there would be no major change in the international situation.

1962, surpassing the previous high of 127 million in 1960. Imports of wool textile products likely will be 14 percent above 1961 and 10 percent greater than the previous high in 1960; exports will be about the same to slightly higher. Imports of apparel wool items -- tops, yarn, fabric, blankets, wearing apparel, and miscellaneous manufactures -- in 1962 probably will total a record 65 million pounds compared with the previous high of 55 million in 1960 and the 31 million average of 1955-59. Imports of carpeting and rugs likely will total a record 30 million pounds in 1962 compared with the former high of 29 million in 1960 and the 16 million average of 1955-59.

Imports of dutiable wool are expected to total 105-115 million pounds, clean content, during 1962 and approximately 100-110 million in 1963 compared with 90 million in 1961. This increase in imports above 1961 reflects the strong mill demand in early 1962 and declining U. S. production of shorn wool. Imports of duty-free wools are expected to amount to 135-145 million pounds, clean content, during 1962 and slightly above this in 1963 compared with 157 million in 1961. These lower imports during 1962 reflect a working down of commercial carpet wool stocks and lower mill use during the early months of 1962. With mill use increasing since midyear, a buildup in stocks is likely during the latter part of 1962 and early 1963.

The average price received by producers for shorn wool in the 1962 marketing year (April 1, 1962-March 31, 1963) likely will be slightly higher than the 42.9 cents, grease basis, received in 1961, as prices have been as much as 10 percent above a year earlier. The average price for shorn wool has been declining moderately since reaching a 4-year high of 46.4 cents in June 1962, reflecting the seasonal decline in mill use.

The marketing year under the wool incentive payment program of the National Wool Act is being changed from an April-March period to a calendar year basis. In making this transition, the 1963 marketing year will be only 9 months -- April 1 through December 31. After 1963, the marketing year will be on a 12-month calendar year basis.

The shorn wool incentive level for the 1963 marketing year (April 1, 1963-December 31, 1963) has been established at 62 cents per pound, grease basis--the same as during the first 8 years of the program. The mohair support level for the 1963 marketing year (April 1, 1963-December 31, 1963) has been set at 76 cents per pound, grease basis, 2 cents above the 1962 marketing year. The wool incentive level is 84 percent of the September 1962 parity price of 73.5 cents per pound of shorn wool; that of mohair is 71.6 percent of the September 1962 parity price of $1.05 per pound.

In the September referendum, producers voted approval of the continuation of the wool and lamb promotion program for the 1962 through 1965 marketing years. As in previous years, deductions will be at the rate of 1 cent per pound of shorn wool marketed and 5 cents per hundred pounds of liveweight of unshorn lambs marketed during the 1962 marketing year. Thereafter, the deductions shall be at such rates as the Secretary of Agriculture and the American Sheep Producers Council may agree upon. They cannot be in excess of the rates for 1962.

U. S. production of woolen and worsted woven fabric is expected to amount to 295 to 300 million linear yards in 1962. This compares with approximately 286 million linear yards in each of the previous 2 years and a 304 million average during 1955-59. Output of apparel fabric in 1962 will be above a year earlier; that of nonapparel goods about the same. Production of woven fabric in 1963 can be expected to be at about the same level as in the last 3 years.

THE DOMESTIC SITUATION

DOMESTIC CONSUMPTION OF WOOL TO BE 5 PERCENT HIGHER IN 1962

Domestic consumption of wool--mill consumption plus the raw wool equivalent of the import balance of foreign trade in wool textile products--probably will total about 560 million pounds in 1962, 5 percent higher than in 1961 and 15 percent larger than the 1955-59 average. This expected increase in domestic consumption in 1962 is due to a substantial increase in imports of apparel wool textile products and moderate increases in mill use of apparel and carpet wool and imports of carpeting and rugs.

On a per capita basis, domestic consumption of wool in 1962 will total approximately 3.0 pounds compared with 2.90 pounds in 1961 and 2.84 pounds during 1955-59. Apparel wool domestic consumption will amount to 2.05 pounds per person in 1962 compared with 1.95 pounds in 1961 and during 1955-59. Per capita domestic consumption of carpet wool will total 0.95 pound in 1962, the same as in 1961 but slightly above the 0.90 pound during 1955-59. (See table 1.)

Domestic consumption of apparel wool probably will amount to approximately 380 million pounds in 1962, 6 percent more than in 1961 and 14 percent larger than during 1955-59. This increase will be due to a moderate increase in apparel wool mill use and a substantial rise in imports of apparel textile products. During the first 8 months of 1962, domestic consumption

of apparel wool totaled 266.6 million pounds, 14 percent larger than in the same period of 1961. Mill use accounted for 191.6 million pounds; the raw wool content of imports of apparel textile products, 77.6 million pounds; and the raw wool content of exports of apparel textile products, 2.5 million pounds. (See table 3.)

Table 1 .--Per capita domestic consumption of wool, U. S., 1950-62

Year	Appare wool	Carpet wool	Total
	Pounds	Pounds	Pounds
1950	3.19	1.37	4.56
1951	2.74	.71	3.45
1952	2.68	.81	3.49
1953	2.54	.91	3.45
1954	1.95	.76	2.71
1955	2.09	.87	2.96
1956	2.19	.94	3.13
1957	1.80	.83	2.62
1958	1.62	.77	2.39
1959	2.03	1.09	3.12
1960	1.90	1.06	2.96
1961	1.95	.95	2.90
1962 1/	2.05	.95	3.00

1/ Estimated October 1.

Compiled from reports of the Bureau of the Census.

Carpet wool domestic consumption in 1962 likely will total about 180 million pounds, 3 percent more than in 1961 and 17 percent greater than during 1955-59. This increase will result from a moderate rise in carpet wool mill use and imports of carpeting and rugs. During the first 8 months of 1962, domestic consumption of carpet wool amounted to 116.3 million pounds, 6 percent more than in the corresponding period of 1961. During this period, mill use accounted for 95.7 million pounds; the raw wool content of imports of carpeting and rugs, 21.1 million pounds; and that of exports of carpeting and rugs, 0.4 million pounds. (See table 3.)

During the first 8 months of 1962, domestic consumption of wool totaled 383.0 million pounds, 11 percent larger than the 344.0 million pounds in the same period of 1961. Mill use accounted for 287.3 million pounds, 10 percent more than in 1961. The raw wool content of imports of wool textile products totaled 98.7 million pounds, 15 percent larger than in 1961. The raw wool content of exports of wool textile products amounted to 3.0 million pounds, 5 percent greater than the 2.8 million in 1961 .

APPAREL WOOL MILL USE TO INCREASE SLIGHTLY

U. S. mill use of apparel wool in 1962 can be expected to amount to about 270 million pounds, scoured basis, based on the seasonally adjusted rates of mill use during the first 8 months of 1962. This is 3 percent above the 262.9 million pounds used in 1961. Mill use of apparel wool has been trending down since early 1962. With inventories of gray and finished fabrics less than at midyear and unfilled orders, although down from midyear, above year-earlier levels, the downtrend in mill use likely will level off, resulting in mill use of apparel wool in 1963 at about the same level as this year.

Mill use of apparel wool increased significantly during the second half of 1961. This increased use continued into the early part of 1962 before mill demand eased downward. In the second half of 1961, 135 million pounds of apparel wool were used; this was above the 128 million used in the first half of 1961. During the first half of 1962, 146 million pounds of apparel wool were used, and it is estimated that about 125 million will be used during the second half. (See figure 1.)

During the first 8 months of 1962, apparel wool mill use totaled 191.6 million pounds, scoured basis, compared with 169.1 million in 1961. The average weekly rate of mill use in this period of 1962 was 5.5 million pounds, 10 percent above the 5.0 million rate of 1961. The seasonally adjusted average weekly rate of mill use in August was 5.1 million pounds, up from the 4.7 million rate in July but below the 6.0 million rate in March and the 5.2 million rate in August 1961. (See table 11.)

The worsted system's share of total apparel wool use has increased significantly in 1962. During the first 8 months of 1962, this portion amounted to 60.7 percent compared with 55.5 percent in 1961 and 53.4 percent in 1959 and 1960 (See table 2.)

Table 2. --Percentage distribution of apparel wool consumption on woolen and worsted systems, January-August 1957-62

Year	Woolen	Worsted	Total
	Percent	Percent	Percent
1957	50.7	49.3	100.0
1958	50.5	49.5	100.0
1959	46.6	53.4	100.0
1960	46.6	53.4	100.0
1961	44.5	55.5	100.0
1962	39.3	60.7	100.0

Derived from reports of the Bureau of the Census.

Table 3.--Total domestic consumption of wool, United States, average 1950-54 and 1955-59, annual 1959-61, by months and cumulative totals, January-August 1961 and 1962

Year	Apparel wool consumption				Carpet wool consumption				Total domestic wool consumption			
	Mill use	Foreign trade textile products		Total	Mill use	Foreign trade textile products		Total	Mill use	Foreign trade textile products		Total
		Imports	Exports			Imports	Exports			Imports	Exports	
	1,000 lb.	1,000 lb.	1,000 lb.	1,000 lb.	1,000 lb.	1,000 lb.	1,000 lb.	1,000 lb.	1,000 lb.	1,000 lb.	1,000 lb.	1,000 lb.
Average												
1950-54	358,694	57,052	6,035	409,711	133,979	9,188	423	142,744	492,673	66,240	6,458	552,455
1955-59	258,705	78,598	4,512	332,791	138,412	16,357	539	154,230	397,117	94,955	5,051	487,021
1959	262,808	101,354	4,447	359,715	168,412	25,573	489	193,496	431,220	126,927	4,936	553,211
1960	244,271	103,154	4,229	343,196	162,656	28,979	466	191,169	406,927	132,132	4,695	534,364
1961	262,884	99,202	3,990	358,096	147,050	28,256	553	174,753	409,934	127,458	4,543	532,849
1961												
Jan.	16,865	9,074	238	25,701	12,090	2,046	54	14,082	28,955	11,120	292	39,783
Feb.	17,910	7,002	338	24,574	11,457	1,875	41	13,291	29,367	8,877	379	37,865
Mar.	22,598	8,426	328	30,696	11,954	2,305	55	14,204	34,552	10,731	383	44,900
Apr.	20,144	8,225	485	27,884	10,198	3,027	31	13,194	30,342	11,252	516	41,078
May	22,799	8,877	234	31,442	10,641	2,010	43	12,608	33,440	10,887	277	44,050
June	27,206	8,136	268	35,074	12,925	1,971	46	14,850	40,131	10,107	314	49,924
July	19,107	9,099	236	27,970	9,294	2,259	49	11,504	28,401	11,358	285	39,474
Aug.	22,430	8,707	345	30,792	13,146	3,062	50	16,158	35,576	11,769	395	46,950
Jan.-Aug.	169,059	67,546	2,472	234,133	91,705	18,555	369	109,891	260,764	86,101	2,841	344,024
1962												
Jan.	25,609	7,715	227	33,097	14,085	2,793	43	16,835	39,694	10,508	270	49,932
Feb.	22,740	6,339	270	28,809	11,387	2,400	82	13,705	34,127	8,739	352	42,514
Mar.	23,523	10,099	349	33,273	11,159	2,933	42	14,050	34,682	13,032	391	47,323
Apr.	27,828	9,093	399	36,522	12,216	3,303	84	15,435	40,044	12,396	483	51,957
May	23,434	10,633	270	33,797	11,501	2,954	63	14,392	34,935	13,587	333	48,189
June	23,061	10,748	483	33,326	11,932	2,986	24	14,894	34,993	13,734	507	48,220
July	23,251	11,265	234	34,282	10,177	1,707	51	11,833	33,428	12,972	285	46,115
Aug.	22,152	11,679	305	33,526	13,235	2,006	51	15,190	35,387	13,685	356	48,716
Jan.-Aug.	191,598	77,571	2,537	266,632	95,692	21,082	440	116,334	287,290	98,653	2,977	382,966

Compiled from reports of the Bureau of the Census.

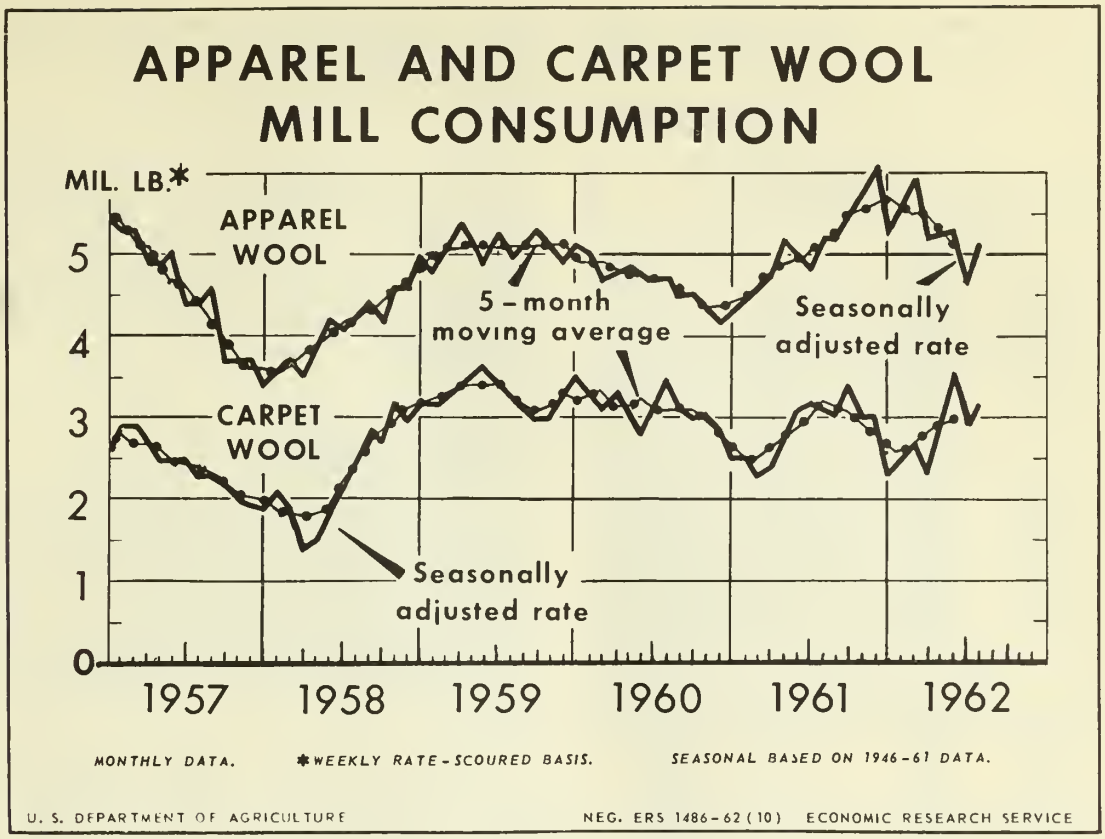

Figure 1

Of the apparel wools consumed during the first 8 months of 1962, the finer grades of wool accounted for a larger proportion of the total than during the previous 3 years, increasing on the woolen system and declining on the worsted system. (See table 4.)

CARPET WOOL MILL USE
TO INCREASE MODERATELY.

U. S. mill use of carpet wool in 1962 is expected to total 150 million pounds, scoured basis, based on the seasonally adjusted rates of mill use during the first 8 months of 1962. This is 2 percent above the 147 million pounds consumed in 1961 but less than that used in 1959 and 1960. A further moderate increase in mill use of carpet wool can be expected in 1963, as consumer incomes and home and office building construction rates are expected to continue slowly upward.

Historically, mill use of apparel and carpet wool tends to follow in the same cyclical pattern. However, this has not been the case during late 1961 and in 1962. (See figure 1.) Apparel wool use has trended down in 1962 while carpet wool use has trended up.

During the first 8 months of 1962, carpet wool mill use amounted to 95.7 million pounds, scoured basis, compared with 91.7 million in 1961. The average weekly rate of mill use in this period of 1962 was 2,734,000 pounds compared with 2,697,000 in 1961. The seasonally adjusted average weekly rate of carpet wool mill use in August was 3.2 million pounds compared with 2.8 million in July and 3.1 million in August 1961. (See table 12.)

TOTAL FIBER USE UP;
WOOL'S SHARE THE SAME

Mill use of all fibers on the woolen and worsted systems during the first 8 months of 1962 amounted to 476.3 million pounds, 10 percent more than in the same period of 1961. Raw wool's portion of the total fiber consumed was 60.4 percent, the same as in 1961 but above the 59.0 percent share in 1960. The use of reused and reprocessed wool increased; that of man-made fibers and all other fibers decreased. (See table 13.)

Total use of fibers in the production of top totaled 112.6 million pounds during the first 8 months of 1962, 22 percent larger than in the same period of 1961. Wool's share of the total fiber used increased to 103.5 million pounds and 91.9 percent from 83.2 million

pounds and 89.9 percent in 1961. Manmade fibers' proportion of the total declined to 2.9 percent from 4.8 percent in 1961. (See table 13.)

Table 4.--Percentage distribution of apparel wool consumption, by system and grades, January-August 1957-62

Year	60's and finer	50's up to 60's	48's and coarser	Total
	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.
		Woolen system		
1957	34.5	52.2	13.3	100.0
1958	34.7	52.3	13.0	100.0
1959	35.9	49.6	14.5	100.0
1960	39.3	48.0	12.7	100.0
1961	44.8	44.9	10.3	100.0
1962	45.6	45.7	8.7	100.0
		Worsted system		
1957	67.4	27.1	5.5	100.0
1958	63.5	30.6	5.9	100.0
1959	61.8	33.4	4.8	100.0
1960	55.3	39.7	5.0	100.0
1961	60.7	35.2	4.1	100.0
1962	59.7	36.3	4.0	100.0
		Total		
1957	50.7	39.8	9.5	100.0
1958	48.9	41.6	9.5	100.0
1959	49.7	41.0	9.3	100.0
1960	47.9	43.6	8.5	100.0
1961	53.6	39.5	6.9	100.0
1962	54.1	40.0	5.9	100.0

Derived from reports of the Bureau of the Census.

Consumption of fibers on the worsted system--top and noil production--during the first 8 months of 1962 amounted to 126.4 million pounds, 22 percent more than in 1961. Shorn and pulled wool's portion of the total fiber used increased to 92.0 percent from 90.2 percent in 1961. Manmade fiber's and other fiber's share of the total declined. (See table 13.)

In the spinning of yarns on the woolen system (except carpet) during the first 8 months of 1962, 220.2 million pounds of fibers were used, 9 percent more than in the same period of 1961. Shorn and pulled wool's share of the total declined to 34.2 percent from 37.2 percent in 1961. Reused, reprocessed, and other wool's portion of the total increased to 42.1 percent from 39.5 percent a year earlier. Manmade fiber's share increased; that of other fibers decreased. (See table 13.)

Consumption of fibers in the spinning of carpet and rug yarns on the woolen system totaled 129.6 million pounds during the first 8 months of 1962, 4 percent greater than in the same period of 1961. Shorn and pulled wool's share of the total increased to 73.8 percent from 73.3 percent in 1961. Reused, reprocessed, and other wool's portion increased; that of manmade fibers decreased. (See table 13.)

IMPORTS OF WOOL TEXTILE PRODUCTS INCREASING

The raw wool equivalent of the U.S. foreign trade in semiprocessed and manufactured wool textile products will amount to an import balance of about 140 million pounds in 1962. This will be a record level, surpassing the previous high of 127 million pounds in 1960. The raw wool content of imports of textile products in 1962 will increase significantly above the level of the previous year; that of exports will be about the same to slightly higher.

Imports of wool textile products probably will have a raw wool equivalent of approximately 145 million pounds in 1962, 14 percent more than in 1961 and 10 percent greater than the previous high of 132 million in 1960. This increase is because imports of tops, yarns, wearing apparel, other manufactures, and carpeting and rugs have increased significantly during 1962. Imports of apparel wool items--tops, yarns, fabric, blankets, wearing apparel, and miscellaneous manufactures--probably will total a record 65 million pounds in 1962 compared with 45 million in 1961, the previous high of 55 million in 1960, and the 31 million average of 1955-59. Carpet and rug imports likely will total a record 30 million pounds in 1962 compared with 28 million in 1961, 29 million in 1960, and the 16 million average of 1955-59. Imports of noils and wastes probably will amount to 50 million pounds in 1962 compared with 54 million in 1961 and the 47 million average of 1955-59.

During the first 8 months of 1962, the raw wool content of imports of textile products amounted to 98.7 million pounds compared with 86.1 million in the same period of 1961 and 94.3 million in these months of 1960. Imports of tops totaled 4.3 million pounds, 70 percent more than in the first 8 months of 1961. Yarn imports amounted to 6.1 million pounds, 60 percent more; woven fabric 15.8 million, 17 percent more; wearing apparel 12.0 million, 58 percent more; carpets and rugs 21.1 million, 14 percent more; and noils and wastes 34.7 million, 8 percent less. (See table 14 and figure 2.)

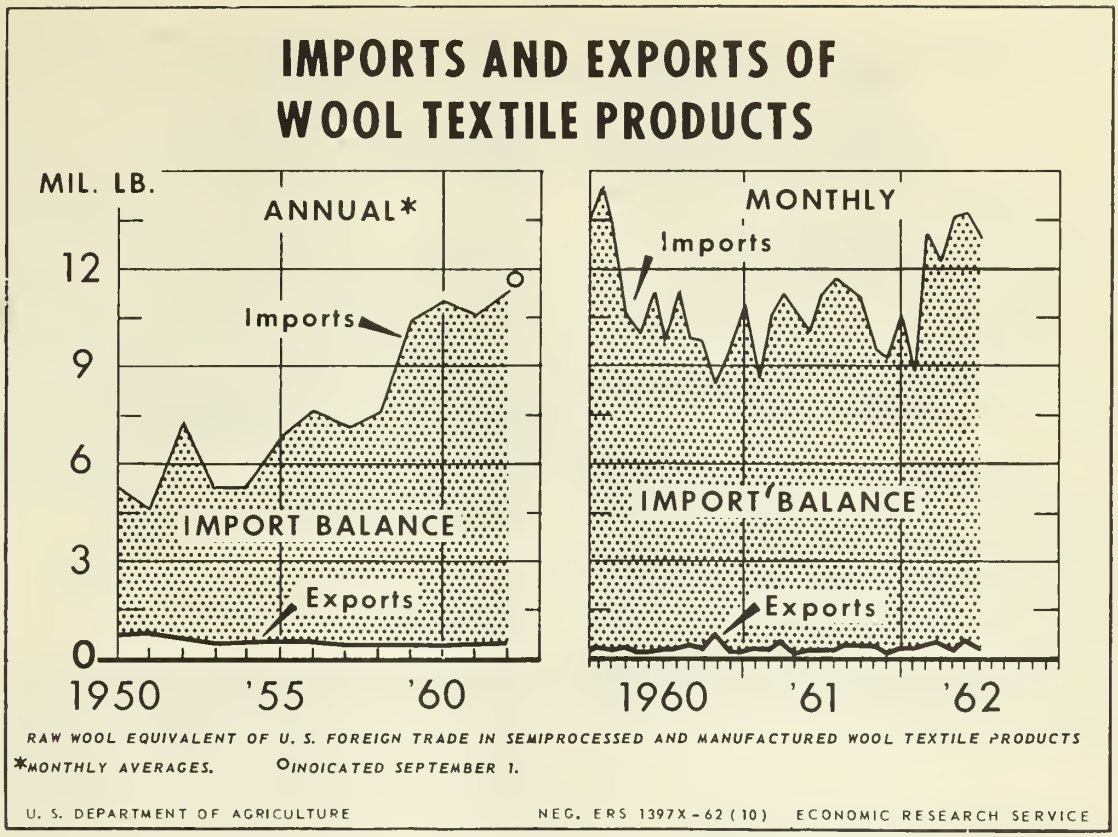

Figure 2

Exports of wool textile products in 1962 probably will have a raw wool content of 5 million pounds, slightly higher than 4.5 million in 1961 and 4.7 million in 1960 but about the same as the 5.1 million average of 1955-59. During the first 8 months of 1962, exports of noils and wastes, yarns, woven and knit fabrics, and carpets and rugs were larger; exports of tops, blankets, and wearing apparel smaller than a year earlier. (See table 15 and figure 2.)

IMPORTS OF DUTIABLE WOOL UP;
DUTY-FREE WOOL IMPORTS DOWN

Imports of dutiable wool are expected to total about 105-115 million pounds, clean content, during 1962 and approximately 100-110 million in 1963 compared with 90 million in 1961. This increase in imports above 1961 reflects the strong mill demand in early 1962 and declining U. S. production of shorn wool.

Dutiable raw wool imports during the first 8 months of 1962 amounted to 82.8 million pounds, clean content, 36 percent above 1961 and the highest since 1956. (See table 5.) Imports during the first 4 months of 1962

Table 5.--Imports of dutiable and duty-free wool for consumption into the United States, clean content, average 1955-59 and January-August 1955-62

Year	Dutiable	Duty-free	Total
	1,000 lb.	1,000 lb.	1,000 lb.
Average 1955-59	67,611	97,010	164,621
1955	81,164	94,325	175,489
1956	82,690	102,658	185,348
1957	58,752	85,327	144,079
1958	43,008	64,520	107,528
1959	72,443	138,221	210,664
1960	53,535	110,023	163,558
1961	60,973	108,497	164,470
1962	82,759	89,589	172,348

Derived from reports of the Bureau of the Census.

were the highest since the first 4 months of 1956. However, as mill use began to ease off and the 1962 domestic clip moved into the market in early spring, monthly imports of dutiable wool began declining. In August 1962, these imports totaled 8.0 million pounds compared with 13.4 million in March and 6.4 million in August 1961. The percentage relationship of the quality composition of these dutiable wools is shown in table 6. Imports of wool grading 60's and finer accounted for more than 67 percent of the total during the first 8 months of 1962 compared with 66 percent in 1961 and 60 percent in 1960. The proportion of those wools grading not finer than 56's also increased during the first 8 months of 1962--from 21 percent to 24 percent--while those grading 56's to 60's decreased.

Imports of duty-free wool are expected to amount to 135-145 million pounds, clean content, during 1962 and slightly above this in 1963 compared with 157 million in 1961 and 154 million in 1960. These lower imports of duty-free wool during 1962 reflect a working down of commercial carpet wool stocks during the first half of 1962. Mill use of carpet wool also was declining during the early months of 1962. However, mill use of carpet wool has been increasing since midyear, which likely will necessitate a buildup in supplies during the latter part of 1962 and early 1963.

Table 6 .--Quality composition of dutiable and duty-free raw wool imports, clean basis, United States, January-August 1959-62

Grade	1959	1960	1961	1962
	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.
	Dutiable			
60's and finer	59.8	60.5	65.9	67.2
56's to 60's	9.7	12.7	12.9	9.2
50's to 56's	6.9	7.0	7.0	9.1
40's to 50's	8.5	7.2	5.6	5.8
Not finer than 40's	14.7	12.4	8.4	8.7
Total 1/	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
	Duty-free			
44's to 46's	1.5	1.9	4.8	19.5
40's to 44's	5.2	8.3	11.0	16.2
Not finer than 40's	58.7	55.7	54.2	39.7
Donskoi, Smyrna, etc.	34.6	34.1	30.0	24.6
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0

1/ Includes small amounts of carbonized wool for which grade is not reported.

Derived from reports of the Bureau of the Census.

Duty-free raw wool imports during the first 8 months of 1962 totaled 89.6 million pounds, clean content, 18 percent less than in the same period of 1961 and 8 percent less than the 1955-59 average. (See table 5.) Imports of duty-free wool were less than in the corresponding month a year earlier, each month during 1962 until June. In August, duty-free imports were up significantly. This increase probably was due, in part, to the pending dock strike as well as the increasing mill use. The percentage relationship of the quality composition of these duty-free wools is shown in table 6. The portion of wool grading 40's to 46's increased substantially during the first 8 months of 1962. Those wools grading 44's to 46's accounted for 19.5 percent of the total compared with 4.8 percent a year earlier, while those grading 40's to 44's increased their share to 16.2 percent from 11.0 percent. Imports of the named wools and those grading not finer than 40's declined in proportion to the other duty-free wools.

1962 AVERAGE PRICES RUNNING ABOVE 1961

The average price received by producers for shorn wool has been declining moderately since the recent peak in June, reflecting the seasonal decline in mill use. The 1962 marketing year (April 1, 1962 - March 31, 1963) average price likely will be slightly higher than the 42.9 cent average of the 1961 marketing year.

Average prices received for shorn wool during the early months of the 1962 marketing year have been as much as 10 percent above a year earlier. (See table 7.) Shorn wool prices began increasing moderately in December 1961. By June, they had reached a peak of 46.4 cents per pound, grease basis, which was the highest average monthly price since January 1958. From this high, they declined to an average of 44.7 cents in September 1962. This is 6 percent higher than a year earlier and the highest average price for the month of September since 1957. (See figure 3.)

Sales activity in the Boston market this year has been limited to a relatively small volume of wool. Market prices remained relatively stable during August and September at levels 1 - 6 percent above a year earlier after increasing moderately during April - July. The strongest demand and most of the increase in price has been for the fine wools. (See Statistical Summary, Part I-Prices.) Figure 4 shows the price relationship between graded territory fine shorn wool and selected manmade fibers and that the price of wool has been edging above that of the manmade fibers. This has been due to increasing wool prices and declining manmade fiber prices. Figure 5 shows price comparisons for domestic shorn wools grading territory fine and fleece three-eighths blood and British Dominion wools grading 64's and 56's.

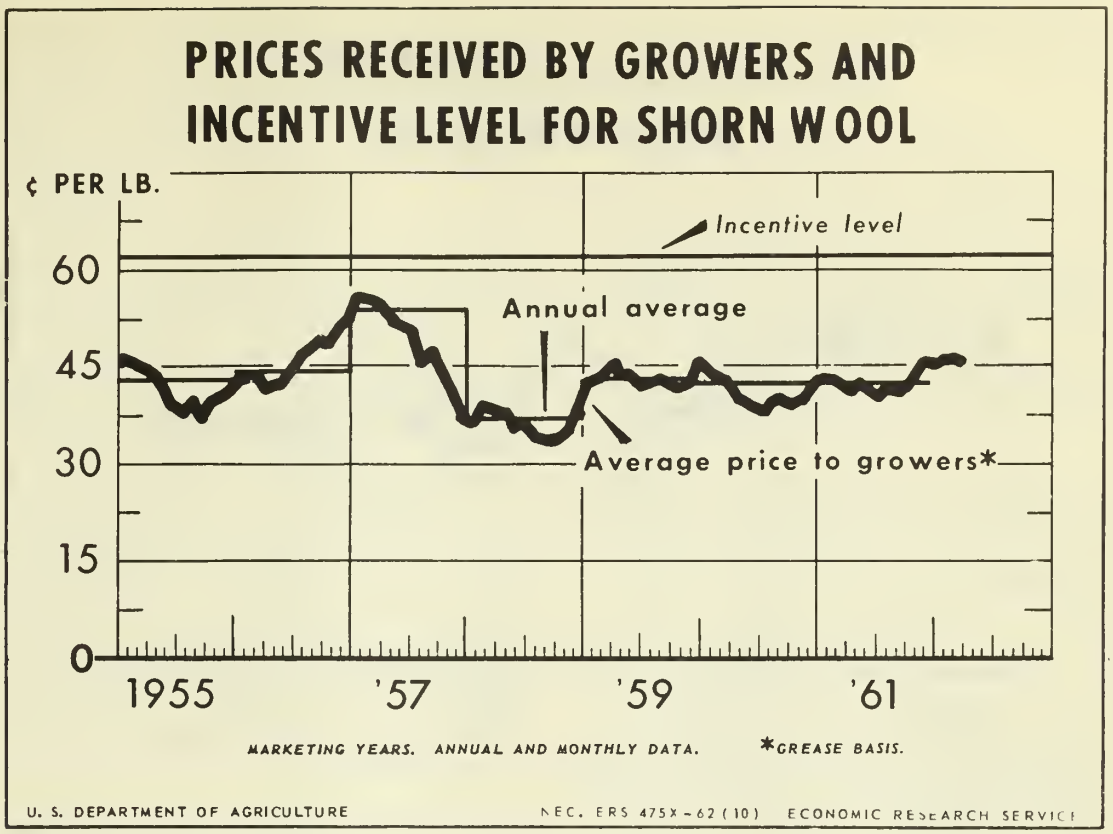

Figure 3

Table 7.--Average price per pound, grease basis, received by farmers for shorn wool, U. S., by months, 1958-62

Month	Marketing year				
	1958	1959	1960	1961	1962
	Ct.	Ct.	Ct.	Ct.	Ct.
April	36.8	40.6	45.2	42.3	45.0
May	36.2	43.0	44.7	43.1	46.3
June	38.6	43.5	44.4	43.3	46.4
July	38.0	45.4	42.4	42.1	45.7
August	37.9	43.7	39.8	41.0	45.1
September	35.8	43.9	39.3	42.0	44.7
October	36.1	42.8	38.8	41.2	
November	35.2	43.2	38.4	40.9	
December	34.8	43.2	39.3	41.2	
January	34.6	43.0	39.9	41.1	
February	34.5	42.6	39.0	42.5	
March	35.6	44.3	40.4	45.0	
Weighted season average	36.4	43.3	42.0	42.9	

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CHANGE IN MARKETING YEAR TO CALENDAR YEAR BASIS

The marketing year under the wool incentive payment program of the National Wool Act is being changed from an April-March period to a calendar year basis. In making this transition, the 1963 marketing year will be only 9 months--from April 1 through December 31. After 1963, the marketing year will be on a 12-month calendar year basis.

This change is being made in line with recommendations from producers. The present closing date of March 31 comes within the peak shearing season in some areas of the country and was encouraging earlier-than-normal shearing of wool in order to receive payments the following July instead of a year later. The new calendar year basis is expected to contribute to better production practices and more orderly marketing of wool.

INCENTIVE LEVEL CONTINUED AT 62 CENTS FOR 1963 MARKETING YEAR

The shorn wool incentive level for the 1963 marketing year (April 1, 1963 - December 31, 1963) has been established at 62 cents per pound, grease basis--the

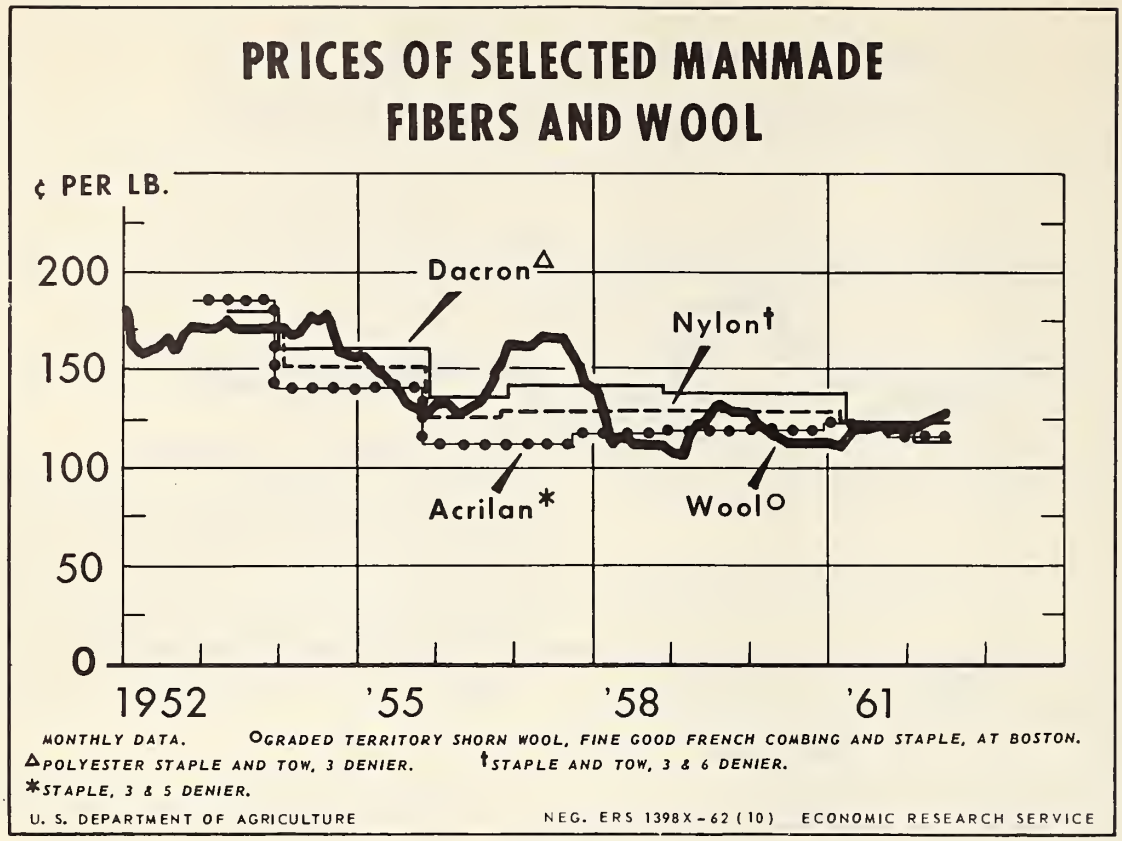

Figure 4

same as during the first 8 years of the program. The wool incentive price of 62 cents is 84 percent of the September 1962 parity price of 73.5 cents per pound of shorn wool.

The wool incentive program, originally authorized by the National Wool Act of 1954, was extended for the second time by the Agricultural Act of 1961 to cover marketings for 4 additional years through March 31, 1966. The incentive price is established under this legislation, which directs the Secretary of Agriculture to take into consideration prices paid and other cost conditions affecting sheep production in determining an incentive price that will encourage an annual production of 300 million pounds of shorn wool. The law also limits the total amount of payments under the Act at anyone time to 70 percent of the duties collected on imports of raw wool and wool manufactures since January 1, 1953 as of the same date.

The gap between yearly wool production and the 300-million-pound goal set by law continued to narrow until the last 2 years, when declining lamb prices became a discouraging factor in the industry. Lamb prices started improving early this year. As a consequence, producers are expected to return to a more normal rate of retaining lambs for replacement purposes. Production of shorn wool in 1962 is reported to be about 249 million pounds, down about 5 percent from last year's production of 261 million pounds (the second highest yearly production since 1946) but 5 percent above production in 1954 before the wool payment program started.

Payments to producers for the 1963 marketing year will be made the same way as in the current year. Shorn wool payments will be equal to a percentage of each producer's cash returns from wool sales. The percentage will be that required to raise the national average price received by all producers for shorn wool up to the incentive price of 62 cents per pound.

The National Wool Act requires that pulled wool be supported at levels, in relation to the incentive price for shorn wool, as the Secretary determines will maintain normal marketing practices and avoid unusual shearing prior to marketing. Support for pulled wool is provided by payments made to each producer who sells lambs never shorn. The payments will be at a rate per hundredweight of live animals marketed, to compensate for the wool on them, on a basis comparable to the national average incentive payment per pound of shorn wool.

Payments for the 1963 marketing year will be made in the spring of 1964 on shorn wool and on unshorn lambs marketed during April 1, 1963- December 31, 1963. With the marketing year ending December 31, payments will be made beginning in April following the close of the year rather than beginning in July as they have in the past.

The payment rate for shorn wool for the 1961 marketing year was 44.5 percent, the percentage required to bring the average price of 42.9 cents per pound of shorn wool, grease basis, up to the 62-cent incentive level. This resulted in a payment of $44.50 for every $100 received from the sale of shorn wool. The payment rate on unshorn lambs was 76 cents per hundredweight of live lambs marketed.

Payments to producers in the first 6 years (1955 through 1960) of the wool incentive program averaged around $53.8 million a year. Of this, an average of around $45.8 million was paid on shorn wool and $8.0 million on unshorn lambs. From these amounts, an average of $2.9 million was deducted for the promotion of wool and lamb by the American Sheep Producers Council, Inc., under Section 708 of the National Wool Act. Preliminary data on payments for the 1961 marketing year show about $47 million paid on shorn wool and around $8.9 million paid on unshorn lambs.

PRODUCERS APPROVE CONTINUATION OF WOOL AND LAMB PROMOTION

In the September referendum, producers voted approval of the continuation of deductions from wool incentive payments for the 1962, 1963, 1964, and 1965 marketing years. These deductions, as agreed by the Secretary of Agriculture and the American Sheep Producers Council, Inc., provide for the continued financing of the Council's advertising, promotional, and related market development activities on lamb and wool. As in previous marketing years, these deductions will be at the rate of 1 cent per pound of shorn wool marketed and 5 cents per hundred pounds of liveweight of unshorn lambs marketed during the 1962 marketing year. Thereafter, the deductions shall be at such rates as the Secretary of Agriculture and the Council may agree upon. They cannot be in excess of the rates for 1962.

Final results showed that, of the producers represented in the referendum, those owning 17.5 million head (91 percent) voted for and those owning 1.7 million head (9 percent) voted against continuation of deductions. On the basis of individual producer voting, 87.6 percent voted for and 12.4 percent voted against deductions.

This year 99,141 producers owning 19,247,040 sheep voted. In the 1959 referendum, 102,326 producers voted (69 percent for), and they owned 20,854,594 sheep (81 percent for). In the 1955 referendum, 67,288 producers voted (71 percent for) and they owned 12,918,165 sheep (72 percent for).

1962 WOVEN FABRIC PRODUCTION TO BE SLIGHTLY ABOVE YEAR AGO

U. S. production of woolen and worsted woven fabric is expected to total 295 to 300 million linear yards in 1962. This compares with approximately 286 million linear yards in each of the previous 2 years and a 304 million average during 1955-59. Output of apparel fabric during 1962 will be above a year earlier, that of nonapparel goods about the same. Output of woven fabric during 1963 can be expected to be at about the same level as in the last 3 years.

Woven wool fabric production (except felt) during the first half of 1962 amounted to 158 million linear yards, 10 percent more than the relatively lower output of 143 million during the first half of 1961. Apparel fabric production totaled 154 million linear yards during the first 6 months of 1962, more than 9 percent above a year earlier. Output of men's and boys' goods increased 4 percent; that of women's and children's, 8 percent; and that of Government orders, more than threefold. Nonapparel output during the first half of 1962 amounted to 4 million linear yards, 60 percent above the corresponding period of 1961 due to substantial increases in output of blanketing and transportation upholstery. Woven felt production amounted to 5 million pounds during the first 6 months of 1962, 14 percent above 1961. (See table 16.)

Production of woolen and worsted woven fabric (except felt) during the second quarter of 1962 totaled 82.5 million linear yards, 4 percent more than in the second quarter of 1961 and 9 percent above the first quarter of 1962. Apparel fabric output during the second quarter of 1962 was 3 percent greater than a year earlier due mainly to a more than fivefold increase in Government orders; a small increase in production of women's and children's fabric was offset by declines in men's and boys' fabric production. Production of apparel goods during the second quarter of 1962 increased 10 percent above output in the first quarter chiefly because of increases in other than Government orders. Government orders declined by more than a third from the first quarter. Nonapparel fabric production during the second quarter of 1962 was 33 percent more than in the same quarter of 1961 but 17 percent less than in the first quarter of 1962, reflecting significant variations in the output of blanketing. Output of woven felt totaled 2.4 million pounds during the second quarter of 1962, slightly less than in the first quarter but moderately above the second quarter of 1961. (See table 16.)

The 10-percent increase in production of woolen and worsted woven fabric during the first half of 1962 over

that of the same period of 1961 was a larger increase than occurred in the output of cotton broadwoven goods but less than the increase in the production of manmade fiber broadwoven fabrics. Production of cotton broadwoven goods during the first 6 months of 1962 totaled 4.9 billion linear yards, 7 percent more than in the similar period of 1961. Output of rayon and acetate broadwoven goods amounted to 786 million linear yards, 12 percent greater than in 1961; that of noncellulosic goods totaled 527 million linear yards, 19 percent larger. (See table 8.)

SHIPMENTS OF TUFTED CARPETING INCREASE; WOOL USE DOWN

Manufacturers' shipments of tufted rugs and carpeting continued to increase during the first half of 1962. There was a rise in the use of wool and manmade fibers in the manufacture of tufted rugs and carpeting and a decline in the use of cotton.

Shipments of tufted rugs and carpeting amounted to 99.7 million square yards during the first half of 1962, 8 percent above the 92.2 million during the second half of 1961 and 21 percent more than the 82.5 million in the first half of 1961. Manufacturers' shipments of rugs and carpeting larger than 4 x 6 feet increased 13 percent during the first half of 1962 compared with the second half of 1961 and 26 percent compared with the first half of 1961. Shipments of scatter rugs, bathmats, etc. (rugs 4 x 6 feet or smaller) declined 7 percent during the first half of 1962 compared with the second half of 1961 but were 5 percent above the first half of 1961. (See table 17.)

During the first half of 1962, 145.0 million pounds of all types of yarns were consumed in the manufacture of tufted rugs and carpeting, 7 percent more than the 136.0 million used in second half of 1961. The use of wool yarns during the first half of 1962 amounted to 26.8 million pounds, about the same as the 27.0 million pounds consumed in the second half of 1961. Wool's share of the total decreased to 18.5 percent from 19.9 percent. Cotton's use and share declined. The manmade fibers, especially the noncellulosic fibers, increased both their share and total use. (See table 18.)

INVENTORIES AND UNFILLED ORDERS OF APPAREL FABRIC

Inventories of gray wool apparel fabrics at the weaving mill level increased substantially from the fall of 1961 through March 1962 before declining moderately in April. At the end of July, they amounted to 25.2 million linear yards compared with 29.9 million in March 1962 and 21.2 million in October 1961. Production of woven apparel cloth also increased from the relatively lower levels of early last fall through June

Table 8.--Production of woolen and worsted fabric and cotton and manmade fiber broadwoven goods, U. S., annual 1959-61, by quarters, 1959 to date

Year and quarter	Woolen and worsted	Cotton 1/	Manmade: Rayon and acetate 1/	Manmade: Noncellulosic
	Million linear yards	Million linear yards	Million linear yards	Million linear yards
1959	310.8	9,603.1	1,618.5	836.8
1960	286.5	9,365.6	1,434.3	927.9
1961	286.9	9,156.1	1,465.4	905.6
1959				
Jan.-Mar.	73.2	2,388.0	419.9	199.6
Apr.-June	85.8	2,396.9	412.8	202.7
July-Sept.	80.9	2,371.0	391.9	209.4
Oct.-Dec.	70.9	2,447.2	393.9	225.1
1960				
Jan.-Mar.	75.2	2,487.0	390.9	235.8
Apr.-June	83.1	2,434.4	370.9	235.5
July-Sept.	69.1	2,200.8	334.3	221.3
Oct.-Dec.	59.0	2,243.4	338.3	235.3
1961				
Jan.-Mar.	63.8	2,253.1	342.1	226.3
Apr.-June	79.6	2,309.6	357.4	217.4
July-Sept.	74.4	2,200.4	372.9	218.4
Oct.-Dec.	69.0	2,393.0	393.0	243.5
1962 2/				
Jan.-Mar.	75.5	2,424.6	394.1	260.5
Apr.-June	82.5	2,435.2	392.3	266.7

1/ Excluding tire fabric. 2/ Preliminary.

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before declining in July due to mill vacations. In July, woven apparel fabric output was above year-earlier levels, while the number of looms operating was less than a year ago.

Finished wool apparel fabric inventories at the weaving mill level also increased from the relatively lower levels of October 1961 through March before declining in April. At the end of July, they totaled 20.7 million linear yards compared with 26.7 million in March and 15.3 million in October. Unfilled orders of finished wool apparel fabrics increased substantially from 48.9 million linear yards in October 1961 to 95.4 million in February. Since February, unfilled orders have been declining and at the end of July were 77.7 million linear yards. The ratio of inventories of finished wool apparel

fabrics to unfilled orders declined from a high of 0.57 in November 1960 to 0.28 in November 1961. Since November, the ratio has varied only slightly and in July 1962 was 0.27.

Inventories of finished apparel wool fabric held by converters, wholesalers, and other piece goods dealers also have increased since last fall. Finished fabric inventories totaled 12.7 million linear yards at the end of July compared with 9.2 million in September and 10.5 million in July 1961. Unfilled orders for finished fabrics at this level amounted to 6 million linear yards, up from 4 million linear yards at the end of October 1961. Gray goods inventories have declined slightly during 1962--from 1.2 million linear yards in January to 0.9 million at the end of July.

INCREASED PRODUCTION OF WOOL YARN FOR SALE

Production of spun wool yarn for sale during the first 8 months of 1962 amounted to 83 million pounds, 15 percent larger than in the same period of 1961 and 13 percent larger than in 1960. Output of worsted yarn increased more than that of woolen; knitting yarn production increased more than that of weaving yarn. Output of carpet and rug yarns also increased.

Production of worsted yarn for sale totaled 39 million pounds during the first 8 months of 1962, 21 percent more than in 1961. Worsted knitting yarn output increased 24 percent; that of worsted weaving yarns, 2 percent.

Output of spun woolen yarn for sale during the first 8 months of 1962 amounted to 44 million pounds, 11 percent greater than in the same period of 1961. Woolen knitting yarn production increased 25 percent; that of woolen weaving yarns, although small in total, increased 39 percent. Production of carpet and rug yarns for sale totaled 32 million pounds, 6 percent above the comparable period of 1961.

MOHAIR SUPPORT LEVEL SET AT 76 CENTS FOR 1963

The mohair support level for the 1963 marketing year (April 1, 1963-December 31, 1963) has been established at 76 cents per pound, 2 cents above the 1962 marketing year. This support price is 71.6 percent of the September 1962 parity price of $1.05 per pound.

The National Wool Act requires that the price of mohair be supported within 15 percent of the comparable percentage of parity at which wool is supported. During the first 6 years of the program, mohair was supported at 70 cents per pound. Until this year, market prices for mohair have been substantially above the support price. Thus, the parity price for mohair has been rising faster than the parity price for wool. Therefore, to comply with the provisions of the Act, the support price for mohair was raised to 73 cents for the 1961 marketing year, then to 74 cents for the 1962 marketing year and to 76 cents for the 1963 marketing year.

The marketing year under the mohair support program is being changed from an April-March period to a calendar year basis, in line with recommendations from producers. In making this transition, the 1963 marketing year will be 9-months, from April 1 through December 31. After 1963, the marketing year will be on a 12-month calendar year basis.

No mohair payments have been made during the first 7 years of the program, because the averages of prices received by producers were above the support price. However, it now appears that payments may be required on mohair for the 1962 marketing year because of the currently low prices and accumulated stocks of unsold mohair.

MOHAIR PRICES AND EXPORTS BELOW A YEAR EARLIER

The average monthly price received for mohair by Texas producers during 1962 has been substantially below that of a year earlier. The mohair price declined significantly from September 1961, when it was 90 cents per pound, grease basis, to the 53-cent level in August. Prices improved moderately in September. The 55-cent average in September was 35 cents less than a year earlier. This probably will result in the first mohair payments, under provisions of the National Wool Act, for marketings during the 1962 year. The support price for the 1962 marketing year is 74 cents per pound. The average price received for the first 6 months--April-September--is 62 cents compared with an average price of 85.6 cents for the 1961 marketing year.

Exports of mohair during the first 8 months of 1962 amounted to 8.6 million pounds, clean content, 12 percent less than the 9.8 million in the same period of 1961. Approximately 55 percent of these exports have gone to the United Kingdom, 15 percent to the Netherlands, 10 percent each to Belgium and Japan, and most of the remainder to Italy, West Germany, Switzerland, and Canada.

THE WORLD WOOL SITUATION

The outlook for the world wool industry for the coming year is for consumption of wool to be slightly higher than production causing a further moderate working down of commercial raw wool stocks. No major change in price levels can be expected unless international tensions increase. In addition, the rising world production and consumption of manmade fibers will increase interfiber competition.

There are no dominant factors for a radical change in the consumption of wool other than those resulting from international crisis. The economic uncertainties in the major consuming countries--Japan, the United Kingdom, the Common Market countries, and the United States--do not indicate any substantial change in 1963 from the 3.3 billion consumption rate expected in 1962. In Japan, the demand for wool has increased under the stimulus of economic growth and rising incomes, which has contributed to the balance of payment problems in Japan, and the overcapitalization of the textile industry. Stocks of raw wool and wool products have been increasing which have resulted in government restrictions on output. This likely will slow down the increase in Japanese wool consumption during 1963. In the United Kingdom, textile activity has been declining during 1962 with little basis for any immediate improvement. On the plus side inventories of raw wool and tops have been declining. As economic activity picks up the United Kingdom will need to buy more wool in the world markets to replenish the diminished stocks. Within the Common Market countries, textile activity has been increasing in Italy, France, and the Netherlands and declining in West Germany and Belgium.

Wool prices at the auctions in Australia and South Africa have been trending upward since the opening of the 1962-63 marketing season in late August. At the opening sales, prices were 2 to 8 percent less than at the July close of the 1961-62 season. Japan was the dominant buyer in the early sales with Western European buyers more prominant in October.

World wool production and consumption are near record levels in 1962 and can be expected to remain at about these levels in 1963. Production of semiprocessed and manufactured wool textile products--tops, yarn, and fabric--during the first half of 1962 were 1 to 4 percent above the comparable period of 1961. World trade in raw wool and wool textile products had mixed trends during the first part of 1962. Exports of raw wool, tops, yarns, and fabric were above year earlier levels during early 1962 but less than in late 1961.

WORLD PRICES

The 1962-63 marketing season in the surplus-producing countries of the Southern Hemisphere opened in late August with fine wool prices down 2 to 8 percent from the July close of the previous season. Prices of the medium and coarser wools were the same to slightly higher than a year earlier. The price of fine wools advanced slowly in late September. Most wool prices were still increasing in mid-October.

Wool prices during the 1962-63 marketing season can be expected to follow a pattern similar to that of the previous 2 seasons, when the price of fine wools fluctuated more than those of the medium wools, as shown by the British Dominion wool price quotations in table 19. For example, wools grading 50's ranged from 80 cents a pound in September 1961 to 74 cents in September 1962, while those grading 70's ranged from 122 cents in June 1962 to 109 cents in December 1961 and January 1962. Figure 5 relates prices of British Dominion wools with those of comparable grades of U. S. wools. There have been wider fluctuations in prices of the Dominion wools than in those of the U. S. wools.

Prices at the opening of the London auctions on September 14 were 5 to 8 percent less than the July close and about 6 percent below those of a year earlier. Prices of the crossbred fleeces declined less from the July close than the "good medium fleeces" grading 64's to 70's. At the close of the September sales, the prices of good medium fleeces were down 2 percent, while the prices of the crossbred fleeces were unchanged. (See table 20.)

The 1962-63 Australian marketing season began during the week of August 20 with prices 2 to 5 percent below the July close and 4 to 7 percent less than a year earlier. Prices of the finer grades were down less than medium grades of wool. Prices began slowly advancing in mid-September but by mid-October were still not as high as the July close. Japan dominated the early sales with good support from Western Europe. As Japanese interest weakened in mid-October, buyers from Western Europe increased their purchases, causing prices to increase slightly.

Auctions of the 1962-63 season in South Africa began September 3 with prices 5 to 8 percent less than the May close of the previous marketing season and about the same as the opening in September 1961. Western Europe, the United States, and Japan have been active buyers in these auctions. This relatively firm demand caused prices to advance moderately during September and October.

WORLD CONSUMPTION STABLE

World consumption of raw wool in calendar year 1962 probably will total approximately 3.3 billion pounds, clean content. This is about the same level as the estimate of 3,314 million pounds for 1961 and the 3,305 million for

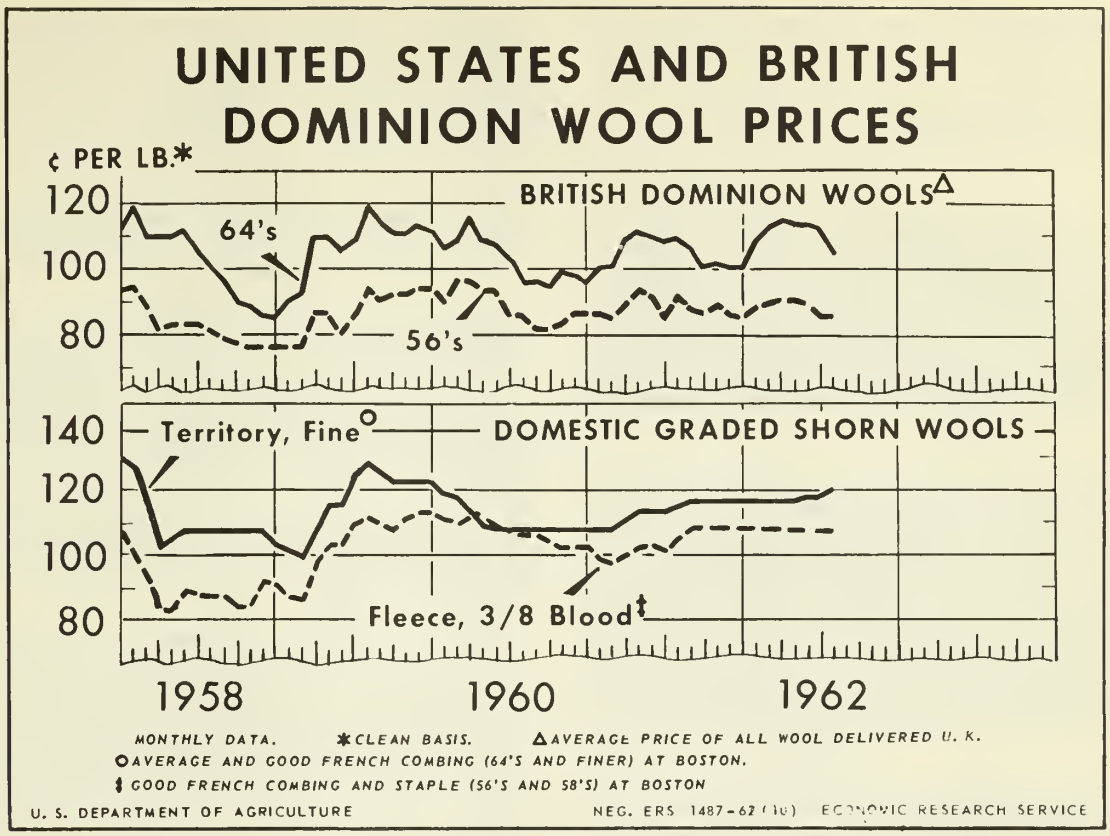

Figure 5

1960, as reported by the Commonwealth Economic Committee. (See table 9.) Total raw wool consumption was higher in 1961 than a year earlier because the substantial increase in Japanese use offset the smaller declines in most of the other major consuming countries.

Estimated consumption of raw wool in the 10 chief wool manufacturing countries of the free world, which report quarterly to the CEC, totaled 524 million pounds, clean content, during the second quarter of 1962. After adjustment for the number of working days and the additional reporting of consumption by commission combers in Japan, total use in these 10 countries was about the same in the second quarter as in the first quarter of 1962 and as in the second quarter of 1961. For the first half of 1962, total use in the 10 countries was slightly higher than in the first half of 1961.

During the second quarter of 1962, all of these 10 countires, except the United Kingdom, France, and probably West Germany, used more wool than in the same quarter of 1961. Of the 10 chief consuming countires, only the United States, Japan, Australia, and the Netherlands used more wool during the second quarter of 1962 than in the first quarter of 1962. The United States, Japan, Italy, Belgium, and Australia consumed more wool during the first 6 months of 1962 than in the same period of 1961. West Germany, the Netherlands, and Sweden used

Table 9.--Estimated world consumption and production of raw wool, clean content, 1951-62

Year	Consumption 1/	Production 2/
	Mil. lb.	Mil. lb.
1951	2,288	2,357
1952	2,336	2,551
1953	2,648	2,568
1954	2,565	2,625
1955	2,662	2,784
1956	2,866	2,950
1957	2,952	2,889
1958	2,765	3,051
1959	3,143	3,222
1960	3,305	3,224
1961 3/	3,314	3,255
1962	4/3,300	3/3,262

1/ Calendar year. 2/ Marketing year. 3/ Preliminary. 4/ Estimated.

Compiled from reports of the Commonwealth Economic Committee and Foreign Agricultural Service.

about the same amount and the United Kingdom and France, less than in the first half of 1961. (See table 21.)

WORLD WOOL PRODUCTION AT RECORD HIGH

The Commonwealth Economic Committee estimates that 1962-63 world wool production will total a record 5,665 million pounds, grease basis, 10 million pounds higher than the previous high in 1961-62. This 1962-63 estimate is 40 million pounds less than the preliminary estimate of USDA's Foreign Agricultural Service. Included in these estimates for 1962-63 are the 1962 clips of the Northern Hemisphere and the 1962-63 clips of the Southern Hemisphere.

Of the major producing countries, New Zealand shows the largest increase in output. Her 1962-63 production is estimated by CEC to be 605 million pounds, 18 million larger than a year earlier. Australia is the only other major country showing an increase. Output is expected to be about the same in Uruguay; down moderately in the United Kingdom, South Africa, and the United States; and down about 20 million pounds in Argentina. Production in the Soviet Union is estimated to be increasing about 20 million pounds in 1962. (See table 22.)

Free world production will total approximately 4,550 million pounds in 1962-63, 10 million pounds less than a year earlier. Output in the Soviet Bloc is estimated at a total 1,115 million pounds, 20 million pounds more than the previous year. Total world wool production is estimated at a clean equivalent of 3,262 million pounds in 1962-63 compared with 3,255 million in 1961-62. (See tables 9 and 22.)

Apparel wools account for 2,637 million pounds, clean content, of the 1962-63 production compared with 2,628 million the previous year. There is an increase in the output of crossbred wools this year in contrast to the larger increase in merino-type wools last year. Production of other wools (carpet, unimproved, etc.) amounts to 625 million pounds, clean content, about the same as a year earlier. (See table 22.)

PRODUCTION OF WOOL TEXTILE PRODUCTS ABOVE YEAR AGO

Production of semiprocessed and manufactured wool textile products in the major manufacturing countries of the free world during the first half of 1962 was greater than in the same period of 1961. Output increased more in the early stages of processing--tops and yarn--than in the production of fabric. Recent peaks in production of tops and fabric occurred in the first quarter of 1962; of yarns in the second quarter of 1962.

Output of tops in the 10 major manufacturing countries of the free world during the first half of 1962 amounted to 653 million pounds, 3 percent above a year earlier. Substantial increases in production of tops in Japan and the United States, along with moderate increases in Belgium, Australia, and Uruguay, more than offset decreased production in the United Kingdom, France, Italy, and West Germany. Output was 3 percent less during the second quarter of 1962 than in the first quarter and less than 1 percent greater than in the second quarter of 1961. (See table 23.)

Production of woolen and worsted yarn in the 10 principal manufacturing countries during the first half of 1962 total 1,462 million pounds, 5 percent greater than in the corresponding period of 1961. Substantial increases occurred in the United States, Italy, and Japan; moderate increases in West Germany, Belgium, and Australia. In the United Kingdom, France, and Sweden, slightly less yarn was produced. Yarn production during the second quarter of 1962 was 1 percent larger than in the first quarter of 1962 and 3 percent above the second quarter of 1961. (See table 24.)

Woven wool apparel and nonapparel fabric production in the 8 chief manufacturing countries of the free world amounted to 1,020 million square yards during the second half of 1962, 1 percent more than in the same period of 1961. Output increased in all countries, except the United Kingdom and Japan. The largest increases occurred in Italy and West Germany. Production of fabric in these 8 countries was 3 percent less during the second quarter of 1962 than in the previous quarter and the same quarter a year earlier. (See table 25.)

WORLD TRADE IN RAW WOOL AND WOOL PRODUCTS

World trade in raw wool and wool textile products had mixed trends during the first part of 1962. Exports of raw wool from the major surplus-producing countries of the Southern Hemisphere were above a season earlier. Imports of raw wool into most of the major manufacturing countries of Western Europe (except Italy) and Japan were less than a year earlier; only those into the United States of the major manufacturing countries, were larger. Exports of tops from the chief manufacturing countries were down slightly during the first half of 1962 from the same period of 1961. Imports of top into the major consuming countries were up moderately in the first half of 1962. Exports and imports of yarn and exports of woolen fabric during the first quarter of 1962 were less than the fourth quarter of 1961 but more than the first quarter of 1961.

Exports of raw wool from the 5 major surplus-producing countries of the Southern Hemisphere during the 1961-62 season as shown in table 10 amount to 2,480 million pounds, actual weight, 3 percent more than the comparable period of previous season and 5 percent more

than the 1959-60 season. Exports from Australia, New Zealand, and South Africa increased 5, 16, and 15 percent, respectively, compared with the same period of the season earlier which more than offset the 24 and 27 percent less exports from Argentina and Uruguay.

Table 10.--Exports of wool, actual weight, from Southern Hemisphere surplus-producing countries, 1959-60, 1960-61 and 1961-62, seasons through June 1/

Exporting countries	1959-60	1960-61	1961-62
	Mil. lb.	Mil. lb.	Mil. lb.
Australia	1,395	1,357	1,430
New Zealand 2/	416	390	454
Republic of South Africa	286	243	279
Argentina	211	283	216
Uruguay 3/	58	139	101

1/ Season beginning July 1 in Australia, New Zealand, and Republic of South Africa, and beginning October 1, in Argentina and Uruguay. 2/ Through April. 3/ Through July.

Compiled from reports of the Commonwealth Economic Committee.

Free world exports of wool tops from the 10 major exporting countries during the first half of 1962 totaled 121.2 million pounds, down slightly from 123.5 million in the first half of 1961. All of these countries, except the United Kingdom (the major exporter), Uruguay, and Argentina exported more top. Exports of tops during the second quarter of 1962 were 6 percent more than the previous quarter and about the same as the quarter a year earlier. (See table 26.)

Imports of wool and hair tops into the 16 chief importing countries of the free world during the first 6 months of 1962 amounted to 82.5 million pounds, up moderately from 80.0 million in the same period of 1961. Imports of top during the second quarter of 1962 were 4 percent less than the previous quarter and 5 percent less than the comparable quarter of 1961. (See table 26.)

Exports of woolen and worsted yarn from the 9 principal exporting countries totaled 49.7 million pounds during the first quarter of 1962, 10 percent less than the fourth quarter of 1961 but 10 percent more than the same quarter of 1961. France and Belgium were the chief exporters. Imports of yarn into the 12 chief importing countries of the free world amounted to 41.0 million pounds during the first quarter of 1962, 5 percent less than the previous quarter and 15 percent more than the comparable quarter in 1961. West Germany was the major importer of wool yarn. (See table 27.)

Exports of woolen and worsted fabric from the 9 chief exporting countries amounted to 48.0 million pounds during the first quarter of 1962, 12 percent less than the fourth quarter of 1961 and 6 percent more than the first quarter of 1961. Italy, the United Kingdom, and Belgium were the principal exporters. (See table 28.)

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STATISTICAL SUMMARY

Part I - Prices

Item	1961 June	1961 July	1961 Aug.	1961 Sept.	1962 June	1962 July	1962 Aug.	1962 Sept.	Latest data available as percent of a year earlier
	Cents per pound	Cents per pound	Cents per pound	Cents per pound	Cents per pound	Cents per pound	Cents per pound	Cents per pound	Percent
Boston, clean basis 1/									
Domestic									
Graded territory shorn wool									
Fine good French combing and staple	120.0	120.1	122.8	123.0	124.5	125.2	127.5	127.5	104
1/2 blood good French combing and staple	112.5	112.5	113.6	114.0	117.5	118.4	121.0	121.0	106
3/8 blood good French combing and staple	106.9	105.0	108.1	108.5	112.0	112.1	112.5	113.0	104
1/4 blood good French combing and staple	102.5	102.5	104.3	105.5	108.0	108.0	108.0	108.2	103
Low 1/4 blood	97.5	97.5	98.4	99.0	102.0	102.0	102.0	102.0	103
Common and braid	90.0	87.5	87.5	87.5	87.5	87.5	87.5	87.5	100
Graded fleece shorn wool									
Delaine	119.5	119.5	123.7	126.2	125.5	126.4	129.0	129.0	102
1/2 blood good French combing and staple	106.2	102.5	108.6	112.5	112.6	115.6	117.5	117.5	104
3/8 blood good French combing and staple	102.2	101.0	105.2	107.5	107.5	107.5	107.5	108.5	101
1/4 blood good French combing and staple	98.8	98.2	102.6	104.0	104.5	105.1	105.5	106.2	102
Low 1/4 blood	94.0	92.5	94.9	96.5	100.0	100.0	102.5	102.5	106
Common and braid	85.0	82.5	82.5	82.5	82.5	82.5	82.5	82.5	100
Original bag Texas shorn wool									
Fine 12 months good French combing and staple	122.5	122.5	123.5	127.5	132.5	132.5	132.5	132.5	104
Fine 8 months (1 in. and over)	112.0	111.0	111.5	111.5	112.5	112.5	112.5	112.5	101
Fine fall (3/4 in. and over)	97.5	97.5	97.5	98.0	102.5	102.5	102.5	102.5	105
Scoured pulled wool 1/									
70's, 2 in. and longer	122.5	122.5	122.5	122.5	122.5	122.5	122.5	122.5	100
64's, 70's, 1 1/2 in. and longer	117.5	117.5	117.5	117.5	117.5	117.5	117.5	117.5	100
60's, 64's, 1 1/2 in. and longer	115.0	115.0	115.0	115.0	115.0	115.0	115.0	115.0	100
60's, 1 1/2 in. and longer	109.5	109.5	109.5	109.5	112.2	112.5	112.5	112.5	103
58's, 60's, 2 in. and longer	106.2	107.0	107.0	107.0	110.5	111.5	111.5	111.5	104
56's, 58's, 2 in. and longer	103.2	105.5	105.0	105.0	109.1	110.0	110.0	110.0	105
56's, 2 in. and longer	101.0	101.0	101.0	101.0	106.1	105.5	106.7	107.5	106
50's, 56's, 2 in. and longer	94.5	94.5	94.5	94.5	96.0	96.0	96.0	96.0	102
44's, 50's, 4 in. and longer	92.5	92.5	92.5	92.5	92.5	92.5	92.5	92.5	100
36's, 44's, 4 in. and longer	90.5	90.5	90.5	90.5	90.5	90.5	90.5	90.5	100

1/ From Weekly Review of the Boston Wool Market.

STATISTICAL SUMMARY

Part II-Mill Consumption and Imports

Item	Unit	1961 May	1961 June	1961 July	1961 Aug.	1962 May	1962 June	1962 July	1962 Aug.	Latest data available as percent of a year earlier
Mill consumption, scoured basis 1/										
Average weekly rate during month 2/										
Apparel wool 3/										
60's and finer	1,000 lb.	2,965	2,861	2,633	3,030	3,044	2,914	2,559	3,050	101
50's up to 60's	1,000 lb.	2,378	2,222	1,841	2,145	2,815	2,851	1,852	2,147	100
48's and coarser	1,000 lb.	357	358	302	432			239	341	78
Total apparel wool	1,000 lb.	5,700	5,441	4,776	5,607	5,859	5,765	4,650	5,538	99
Carpet wool 4/	1,000 lb.	2,660	2,585	2,324	3,287	2,875	2,983	2,035	3,309	101
Total apparel and carpet	1,000 lb.	8,360	8,026	7,100	8,894	8,734	8,748	6,685	8,847	99
Monthly aggregates 2/										
Apparel wool 3/										
60's and finer	Mil. lb.	11.9	14.3	10.5	12.1	12.2	11.7	12.8	12.2	101
50's up to 60's	Mil. lb.	9.5	11.1	7.4	8.6	11.3	11.4	9.3	8.6	100
48's and coarser	Mil. lb.	1.4	1.8	1.2	1.7			1.2	1.4	82
Total apparel wool	Mil. lb.	22.8	27.2	19.1	22.4	23.4	23.1	23.3	22.2	99
Carpet wool 4/	Mil. lb.	10.6	12.9	9.3	13.1	11.5	11.9	10.2	13.2	101
Total apparel and carpet	Mil. lb.	33.4	40.1	28.4	35.5	34.9	35.0	33.5	35.4	100
Accumulated since January 1										
Apparel wool 3/										
By grade										
60's and finer	Mil. lb.	53.7	68.0	78.5	90.7	67.0	78.7	91.5	103.7	114
50's up to 60's	Mil. lb.	39.8	50.9	58.2	66.8	56.1	67.5	68.1	76.6	115
48's and coarser	Mil. lb.	6.8	8.6	9.8	11.6			9.9	11.3	97
By system										
Woolen	Mil. lb.	46.2	57.4	65.8	75.3	48.6	57.6	66.9	75.3	100
Worsted	Mil. lb.	54.1	70.1	80.8	93.8	74.5	88.6	102.5	116.3	124
Total apparel wool	Mil. lb.	100.3	127.5	146.6	169.1	123.1	146.2	169.4	191.6	113
Carpet wool 4/	Mil. lb.	56.3	69.3	78.6	91.7	60.3	72.3	82.5	95.7	104
Total apparel and carpet	Mil. lb.	156.6	196.8	225.2	260.8	183.4	218.5	251.9	287.3	110
Imports for consumption										
clean content										
Monthly aggregates										
Dutiable wool										
60's and finer	1,000 lb.	4,736	4,990	5,749	4,028	5,648	4,665	6,424	5,226	130
56's-60's	1,000 lb.	1,082	752	640	814	1,030	894	568	888	109
50's-56's	1,000 lb.	636	452	360	461	887	752	591	709	154
46's-50's	1,000 lb.	134	116	214	121	141	161	106	168	139
44's-46's	1,000 lb.	126	63	92	107	346	213	28	59	55
40's-44's	1,000 lb.	100	166	243	385	461	472	209	365	95
Not finer than 40's	1,000 lb.	583	641	524	306	606	1,482	338	484	158
Donskoi, Smyrna, etc.	1,000 lb.	251	160	103	163	257	157	293	80	49
Total dutiable wool 5/	1,000 lb.	7,685	7,352	7,954	6,407	9,400	8,802	8,584	8,007	125
Duty-free wool										
44's-46's	1,000 lb.	673	516	1,024	366	1,773	3,062	1,662	3,823	1,045
40's-44's	1,000 lb.	1,474	1,738	2,701	1,088	1,664	3,201	468	2,567	236
Not finer than 40's	1,000 lb.	7,340	6,097	9,130	7,167	4,148	4,658	2,808	6,574	92
Donskoi, Smyrna, etc.	1,000 lb.	3,274	4,259	3,294	3,919	2,405	2,243	2,810	3,010	77
Total duty-free	1,000 lb.	12,761	12,610	16,149	12,540	9,990	13,164	7,748	15,974	127
Total free and dutiable	1,000 lb.	20,446	19,962	24,103	18,947	19,390	21,966	16,332	23,981	127
Accumulated since January										
Dutiable wool										
60's and finer	Mil. lb.	25.4	30.4	36.1	40.2	39.3	44.0	50.4	55.6	138
56's-60's	Mil. lb.	5.7	6.4	7.0	7.9	5.2	6.1	6.7	7.6	96
50's-56's	Mil. lb.	3.0	3.4	3.8	4.3	5.4	6.2	6.8	7.5	174
46's-50's	Mil. lb.	.6	.7	.9	1.0	.6	.7	.9	1.0	100
44's-46's	Mil. lb.	.4	.4	.5	.6	.9	1.0	1.0	1.1	183
40's-44's	Mil. lb.	.9	1.1	1.4	1.7	1.6	2.1	2.3	2.7	159
Not finer than 40's	Mil. lb.	2.4	3.1	3.6	3.9	3.5	5.0	5.3	5.8	149
Donskoi, Smyrna, etc.	Mil. lb.	.8	1.0	1.1	1.2	.9	1.0	1.3	1.4	117
Total dutiable wool 5/	Mil. lb.	39.3	46.6	54.6	61.0	57.4	66.2	74.8	82.8	136
Duty-free wool										
44's-46's	Mil. lb.	3.3	3.8	4.8	5.2	8.9	12.0	13.6	17.5	337
40's-44's	Mil. lb.	6.5	8.2	10.9	12.0	8.3	11.5	12.0	14.5	121
Not finer than 40's	Mil. lb.	36.3	42.4	51.6	58.7	21.5	26.1	29.0	35.5	60
Donskoi, Smyrna, etc.	Mil. lb.	21.1	25.4	28.7	32.6	14.0	16.3	19.1	22.1	68
Total duty-free wool	Mil. lb.	67.2	79,8	96.0	108.5	52.7	65.9	73.6	89.6	83
Total free and dutiable	Mil. lb.	106.5	126.4	150.5	169.5	110.1	132.0	148.4	172.3	102

1/ On woolen and worsted systems; excludes wool consumed on the cotton and other spinning systems and in the manufacture of processed felt, hat bodies, and other miscellaneous products. 2/ Monthly periods are 4 or 5 calendar weeks generally totaling 13 weeks per quarter. 3/ Domestic and duty-paid foreign wool. 4/ Duty-free foreign wool. 5/ Includes carbonized wool which is not reported by grade.

Compiled from reports of the Bureau of the Census.

Mohair Situation at a Glance

Item	Unit	1961 June	1961 July	1961 Aug.	1961 Sept.	1962 June	1962 July	1962 Aug.	1962 Sept.
Mohair									
Average price received by farmers for Texas mohair, grease basis	Cents per pound	91.0	85.0	88.0	90.0	67.0	59.0	53.0	55.0
Parity price 1/	do.	105.0	105.0	105.0	105.0	105.0	105.0	105.0	106.0
Farmers' price as percent of parity	Percent	87	81	84	86	64	56	50	52
Boston market prices Texas mohair, grease basis 2/	Cents per pound								
Graded									
No. 1 Kid (Bulk 36's)	do.	183.8	180.0	180.0	180.0	170.0	170.0	170.0	170.0
No. 2 Kid (Bulk 32's)	do.	168.8	165.0	165.0	165.0	150.0	150.0	150.0	150.0
No. 1 Grown (Bulk 28's)	do.	135.0	135.0	135.0	135.0	125.0	125.0	125.0	125.0
No. 2 Grown (Bulk 24's)	do.	110.0	110.0	110.0	110.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
No. 3 Grown (Bulk 20's)	do.	92.5	92.5	92.5	92.5	82.5	82.5	82.5	80.0
No. 4 Grown (Bulk 18's)	do.	87.5	87.5	87.5	87.5	77.5	77.5	77.5	75.0
Sorted									
40's	do.	225.0	225.0	222.0	220.0	195.0	195.0	195.0	195.0
36's	do.	220.0	220.0	217.0	215.0	185.0	185.0	185.0	185.0
32's	do.	205.0	205.0	202.0	200.0	170.0	170.0	170.0	165.0
30's	do.	155.0	155.0	155.0	155.0	145.0	145.0	145.0	145.0
28's	do.	140.0	140.0	140.0	140.0	120.0	120.0	120.0	120.0
26's	do.	125.0	125.0	125.0	125.0	105.0	105.0	105.0	103.8
22's	do.	105.0	105.0	105.0	105.0	87.5	87.5	87.5	85.0
18's	do.	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	85.0	85.0	85.0	80.0
Exports of mohair, clean content	1,000 pounds								
Monthly aggregate		617.7	290.8	1,075.2	1,502.5	933.1	654.0	888.6	---
Accumulated since January 1	do.	8,421.5	8,712.3	9,787.5	11,289.9	7,019.7	7,673.7	8,562.2	---
Imports for consumption, clean content									
Monthly aggregate	do.	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
Accumulated since January 1	do.	---	---	---	---	14	14	14	---

1/ Effective parity prices as computed currently using base prices in effect and indexes for months indicated. These parity prices are the legally applicable parity prices for the following month.

2/ From Weekly Review of the Boston Wool Market.

Table 11.--Average weekly rate of mill consumption of apparel wool on the woolen and worsted systems, scoured basis, unadjusted and adjusted for seasonal variation, U. S., by months, 1946 to date 1/

Year	January		February		March		April		May		June	
	Unadjusted	Adjusted	Unadjusted	Adjusted	Unadjusted	Adjusted	Unadjusted	Adjusted	Unadjusted	Adjusted	Unadjusted	Adjusted
	1,000 lb.	1,000 lb.	1,000 lb.	1,000 lb.	1,000 lb.	1,000 lb.	1,000 lb.	1,000 lb.	1,000 lb.	1,000 lb.	1,000 lb.	1,000 lb.
1946	10,799	10,660	11,927	11,157	12,606	12,086	12,327	11,956	12,063	12,247	12,401	12,628
1947	11,407	11,238	12,092	11,301	11,431	11,013	10,594	10,326	9,603	9,769	9,466	9,659
1948	10,425	10,241	10,725	10,042	10,336	10,084	10,658	10,429	10,405	10,542	9,624	9,790
1949	7,325	7,224	6,810	6,425	5,668	5,606	4,879	4,802	5,284	5,305	5,653	5,687
1950	8,006	7,982	8,837	8,448	8,518	8,544	7,943	7,864	8,268	8,202	8,084	7,972
1951	8,192	8,342	7,496	7,285	7,020	7,091	8,754	8,719	8,609	8,383	8,541	8,260
1952	5,904	6,124	6,218	6,114	5,971	6,044	5,876	5,818	6,277	5,984	6,779	6,450
1953	7,033	7,334	7,599	7,487	7,704	7,790	7,472	7,325	8,075	7,561	8,034	7,630
1954	4,652	4,826	4,916	4,810	4,894	4,933	5,476	5,327	5,851	5,428	5,570	5,295
1955	5,279	5,442	5,673	5,492	5,390	5,390	5,586	5,423	5,751	5,310	5,282	5,026
1956	6,171	6,310	6,405	6,159	5,865	5,818	6,255	6,049	6,143	5,662	5,569	5,269
1957	5,290	5,381	5,561	5,337	5,372	5,324	5,024	4,854	5,305	4,889	5,364	5,022
1958	3,322	3,383	3,711	3,586	3,764	3,738	3,644	3,517	4,148	3,820	4,530	4,183
1959	4,880	4,995	4,967	4,841	5,021	5,021	5,628	5,417	5,589	5,128	5,346	4,869
1960	4,999	5,132	5,120	5,034	4,716	4,740	5,008	4,783	5,313	4,852	5,281	4,788
1961	4,216	4,315	4,477	4,415	4,519	4,569	5,036	4,769	5,700	5,191	5,441	4,951
1962	5,122	5,232	5,685	5,612	5,881	5,965	5,566	5,246	5,859	5,326	5,765	5,255

Year	July		August		September		October		November		December	
	Unadjusted	Adjusted	Unadjusted	Adjusted	Unadjusted	Adjusted	Unadjusted	Adjusted	Unadjusted	Adjusted	Unadjusted	Adjusted
1946	10,150	12,170	12,447	11,991	12,475	12,195	12,675	12,037	12,039	12,386	11,664	12,214
1947	7,768	9,259	9,502	9,067	9,497	9,274	9,842	9,267	9,413	9,724	8,766	9,266
1948	7,936	9,370	9,706	9,139	9,042	8,813	8,497	7,956	7,426	7,703	7,420	7,961
1949	5,625	6,548	7,354	6,822	7,170	6,934	8,380	7,846	7,183	7,498	7,029	7,649
1950	7,370	8,404	9,901	9,067	9,015	8,619	9,671	9,089	7,871	8,233	7,393	8,233
1951	6,282	6,996	7,320	6,630	6,912	6,583	6,360	6,057	6,368	6,703	6,300	7,151
1952	6,335	6,908	7,621	6,897	7,784	7,470	7,656	7,440	7,120	7,495	6,725	7,775
1953	6,526	6,980	7,649	6,941	7,083	6,944	5,986	5,909	4,717	5,002	4,118	4,766
1954	5,271	5,584	5,926	5,407	4,881	4,871	4,962	4,962	4,685	5,016	4,520	5,213
1955	5,046	5,317	5,721	5,234	5,066	5,128	5,621	5,678	5,570	6,041	5,098	5,846
1956	5,214	5,488	5,966	5,509	5,111	5,184	5,921	6,048	4,995	5,453	5,175	5,948
1957	4,210	4,404	4,792	4,441	4,546	4,597	3,624	3,713	3,378	3,712	3,208	3,713
1958	3,963	4,124	4,542	4,213	4,422	4,413	4,102	4,211	4,216	4,648	3,905	4,594
1959	5,113	5,277	5,360	4,954	5,085	5,065	5,155	5,303	4,545	5,017	4,121	4,929
1960	4,633	4,747	5,111	4,719	4,530	4,535	4,407	4,525	3,969	4,376	3,480	4,218
1961	4,776	4,869	5,607	5,177	5,144	5,191	5,427	5,532	5,298	5,841	4,975	6,067
1962	4,650	4,726	5,538	5,114								

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Table 12.--Average weekly rate of mill consumption of carpet wool on the woolen system, scoured basis, unadjusted and adjusted for seasonal variation, U. S., by months, 1946 to date 1/

Year	January		February		March		April		May		June	
	Unadjusted	Adjusted	Unadjusted	Adjusted	Unadjusted	Adjusted	Unadjusted	Adjusted	Unadjusted	Adjusted	Unadjusted	Adjusted
	1,000 lb.	1,000 lb.	1,000 lb.	1,000 lb.	1,000 lb.	1,000 lb.	1,000 lb.	1,000 lb.	1,000 lb.	1,000 lb.	1,000 lb.	1,000 lb.
1946	2,020	1,877	2,479	2,260	2,588	2,334	2,289	2,240	2,393	2,332	2,566	2,681
1947	2,850	2,627	3,271	2,974	3,419	3,089	3,199	3,118	3,417	3,330	3,298	3,483
1948	3,987	3,644	3,881	3,512	4,053	3,645	4,256	4,100	4,243	4,152	3,967	4,247
1949	4,242	3,825	3,923	3,515	3,714	3,328	3,203	3,045	3,057	3,027	2,260	2,446
1950	3,974	3,571	3,977	3,510	3,989	3,530	4,208	3,970	4,097	4,143	3,725	4,058
1951	3,416	3,050	3,410	2,965	3,268	2,877	2,507	2,356	1,807	1,869	1,622	1,775
1952	2,261	2,033	2,513	2,170	2,385	2,088	2,265	2,133	2,033	2,136	1,403	1,535
1953	2,869	2,571	3,238	2,787	3,295	2,921	2,929	2,753	2,450	2,571	2,622	2,910
1954	2,514	2,257	2,500	2,150	2,389	2,141	2,346	2,209	2,093	2,189	1,793	2,033
1955	2,546	2,271	2,540	2,182	2,541	2,302	2,555	2,406	2,585	2,684	2,251	2,633
1956	3,213	2,861	3,362	2,896	2,898	2,632	3,037	2,865	2,863	2,970	2,363	2,806
1957	2,988	2,614	3,330	2,856	3,151	2,883	2,859	2,692	2,369	2,457	2,049	2,478
1958	2,229	1,923	2,406	2,060	2,095	1,936	1,519	1,436	1,464	1,530	1,596	1,935
1959	3,741	3,165	3,747	3,205	3,477	3,253	3,604	3,419	3,341	3,506	2,953	3,592
1960	4,186	3,500	3,822	3,284	3,288	3,131	3,462	3,303	2,972	3,109	2,327	2,810
1961	3,023	2,502	2,864	2,467	2,391	2,310	2,550	2,436	2,660	2,771	2,585	3,114
1962	2,817	2,320	2,847	2,454	2,790	2,714	2,443	2,333	2,875	2,989	2,983	3,590

Year	July		August		September		October		November		December	
	Unadjusted	Adjusted	Unadjusted	Adjusted	Unadjusted	Adjusted	Unadjusted	Adjusted	Unadjusted	Adjusted	Unadjusted	Adjusted
1946	1,826	2,658	2,576	2,605	2,564	2,663	2,691	2,578	2,873	2,787	2,937	2,958
1947	2,537	3,759	3,514	3,560	3,427	3,570	3,570	3,400	3,502	3,397	3,235	3,232
1948	2,821	4,320	4,241	4,319	4,072	4,291	4,523	4,247	4,159	4,026	3,800	3,781
1949	1,605	2,560	2,630	2,692	2,653	2,828	3,251	3,021	3,317	3,205	3,471	3,413
1950	2,448	4,080	3,989	4,083	3,710	3,968	4,223	3,914	3,712	3,583	3,638	3,549
1951	413	707	1,040	1,057	1,069	1,130	1,556	1,451	1,663	1,607	1,761	1,706
1952	1,289	2,211	2,305	2,317	2,730	2,841	2,648	2,484	2,824	2,736	3,029	2,964
1953	1,490	2,517	2,677	2,653	2,503	2,559	2,358	2,214	2,258	2,199	2,137	2,112
1954	1,370	2,257	2,296	2,249	2,300	2,319	2,365	2,210	2,274	2,234	2,214	2,225
1955	1,655	2,644	2,629	2,552	2,650	2,629	2,976	2,771	2,893	2,864	2,775	2,832
1956	1,787	2,758	3,044	2,950	2,685	2,651	3,206	2,991	2,309	2,314	2,682	2,776
1957	1,683	2,519	2,424	2,344	2,368	2,333	2,368	2,230	2,025	2,041	1,890	1,954
1958	1,474	2,136	2,480	2,389	2,909	2,872	2,847	2,714	3,114	3,178	2,893	2,986
1959	2,431	3,434	3,428	3,290	3,130	3,093	3,083	2,967	2,817	2,883	3,169	3,254
1960	2,256	3,120	3,626	3,473	3,067	3,052	3,056	2,956	2,934	3,025	2,797	2,860
1961	2,324	3,188	3,287	3,139	3,006	3,015	3,469	3,361	2,926	3,026	2,953	2,998
1962	2,035	2,780	3,309	3,154								

1/ Revised April 1962.

Table 13.--Fibers consumed and percentage distribution of wool and other fibers used in woolen spinning and worsted combing, United States, January-August, 1958-62

Fiber and year	Production of top		Worsted system 1/		Woolen system: For yarns, except carpet and rug		Woolen system: For carpet and rug yarn		Total fibers consumed	
	1,000 lb.	Percent	1,000 lb.	Percent	1,000 lb.	Percent	1,000 lb.	Percent	1,000 lb.	Percent
Shorn and pulled wool of the sheep										
1958	60,600	81.6	67,959	82.0	69,466	33.9	66,279	64.5	203,704	52.1
1959	84,640	88.4	94,995	88.5	82,983	34.9	113,315	74.4	291,293	58.6
1960	81,462	88.4	91,197	88.6	79,522	34.9	109,372	75.8	280,091	59.0
1961	83,173	89.9	93,768	90.2	75,291	37.2	91,705	73.3	260,764	60.4
1962	103,459	91.9	116,289	92.0	75,309	34.2	95,692	73.8	287,290	60.4
Reused, reprocessed, and other wool 2/										
1958	3,696	5.0	4,086	4.9	88,707	43.2	11,435	11.1	104,228	26.7
1959	3/	---	3/	---	100,430	42.3	14,375	9.4	116,717	23.5
1960	3/	---	3/	---	94,803	41.6	13,335	9.2	111,492	23.5
1961	3/	---	3/	---	79,831	39.5	9,963	8.0	95,412	22.1
1962	3/	---	3/	---	92,755	42.1	12,257	9.4	109,158	22.9
Manmade fibers 4/										
1958	5,987	8.1	6,294	7.6	39,189	19.1	23,523	22.9	69,006	17.7
1959	6,203	6.5	6,650	6.2	46,006	19.4	23,096	15.2	75,752	15.2
1960	5,617	6.1	6,082	5.9	45,223	19.9	20,515	14.2	71,820	15.1
1961	4,411	4.8	4,703	4.5	39,153	19.4	20,887	16.7	64,743	15.1
1962	3,283	2.9	3,504	2.8	44,398	20.2	21,210	16.4	69,112	14.5
Other fibers 5/										
1958	3,964	5.3	4,558	5.5	7,840	3.8	1,546	1.5	13,944	3.5
1959	3/	---	3/	---	8,102	3.4	3/	---	13,438	2.7
1960	3/	---	3/	---	8,172	3.6	3/	---	11,563	2.4
1961	3/	---	3/	---	7,945	3.9	3/	---	10,478	2.4
1962	3/	---	3/	---	7,762	3.5	3/	---	10,709	2.2
Total fibers consumed										
1958	74,247	100.0	82,897	100.0	205,202	100.0	102,783	100.0	390,882	100.0
1959	95,705	100.0	107,283	100.0	237,521	100.0	152,396	100.0	497,200	100.0
1960	92,107	100.0	102,983	100.0	227,720	100.0	144,263	100.0	474,966	100.0
1961	92,476	100.0	104,013	100.0	202,220	100.0	125,164	100.0	431,397	100.0
1962	112,567	100.0	126,401	100.0	220,224	100.0	129,644	100.0	476,269	100.0

1/ Consumption on the worsted system is taken as the sum of top and noil combed. 2/ Includes mohair, alpaca, vicuna, and other specialty fibers as well as tops and noils consumed in woolen spinning and mohair consumed in worsted combing. 3/ Not reported to avoid disclosure of individual company information. 4/ Does not include manmade fiber converted from tow without combing. 5/ Includes cotton, jute, and other vegetable fiber and animal fibers, other than raw wool and mohair, consumed in worsted combing.

Derived from reports of the Bureau of the Census.

Table 14.--Raw wool content of United States imports for consumption of wool manufactures, annual 1958-61, by months, 1960 to date 1/

Year and month	Noils	Wastes 2/	Tops and advanced wool	Yarns	Woven fabrics 3/	Wool blankets 4/	Wearing apparel: Knit	Wearing apparel: Other than knit 5/	Other manufactures 6/	Carpets and rugs	Total
	1,000 pounds	1,000 pounds	1,000 pounds	1,000 pounds	1,000 pounds	1,000 pounds	1,000 pounds	1,000 pounds	1,000 pounds	1,000 pounds	1,000 pounds
1958	34,082	11,862	1,277	2,420	16,444	190	3,929	2,655	1,601	15,736	90,196
1959	37,748	17,576	4,162	5,229	22,670	292	5,782	6,081	1,814	25,573	126,927
1960	36,592	11,190	4,602	5,250	29,600	234	7,738	6,003	1,943	28,979	132,132
1961	41,218	12,499	3,405	5,496	19,207	296	8,478	5,239	3,364	28,256	127,458
1960											
Jan.	3,018	1,059	459	393	4,697	3	227	318	65	2,930	13,169
Feb.	2,927	1,398	666	421	6,029	7	192	63	64	2,851	14,618
Mar.	3,322	1,307	570	554	4,371	11	210	219	82	2,482	13,128
Apr.	3,300	1,187	463	435	2,356	8	292	200	101	2,462	10,804
May	3,057	1,363	429	491	1,524	10	489	177	94	2,508	10,142
June	3,640	1,139	626	673	1,743	8	798	395	153	2,043	11,218
July	2,571	713	348	543	1,396	34	1,110	675	173	2,218	9,781
Aug.	3,252	820	268	483	1,631	33	1,224	1,090	223	2,435	11,459
Sept.	2,694	691	203	338	1,206	24	1,042	973	225	2,475	9,871
Oct.	2,819	541	195	333	1,385	50	921	834	283	2,398	9,759
Nov.	2,840	486	268	315	1,030	25	750	532	217	2,078	8,541
Dec.	3,154	486	106	270	2,229	21	483	530	265	2,099	9,643
Annual 7/	36,592	11,190	4,602	5,250	29,600	234	7,738	6,003	1,943	28,979	132,132
1961											
Jan.	3,237	849	219	326	3,523	18	345	331	226	2,046	11,120
Feb.	3,690	900	280	342	1,169	3	213	285	120	1,875	8,877
Mar.	3,878	1,461	310	599	1,573	8	240	162	195	2,305	10,731
Apr.	3,737	1,132	349	525	1,855	16	230	144	237	3,027	11,252
May	4,082	1,549	290	517	1,382	17	507	180	353	2,010	10,887
June	3,413	1,091	377	548	1,206	11	820	305	365	1,971	10,107
July	3,549	937	359	531	1,422	49	1,268	613	371	2,259	11,358
Aug.	3,470	767	339	446	1,367	55	1,188	770	305	3,062	11,769
Sept.	3,246	881	228	443	1,455	38	1,034	764	250	3,023	11,362
Oct.	3,513	1,008	275	393	1,647	30	1,068	712	344	2,176	11,166
Nov.	2,834	788	168	439	1,531	32	938	527	276	2,031	9,564
Dec.	2,567	1,136	208	386	1,075	18	625	446	322	2,471	9,254
Annual 7/	41,218	12,499	3,405	5,496	19,207	296	8,478	5,239	3,364	28,256	127,458
1962 8/											
Jan.	3,120	1,251	635	651	983	23	408	293	351	2,793	10,508
Feb.	2,233	1,097	303	591	1,062	10	296	214	533	2,400	8,739
Mar.	3,713	1,605	802	790	1,908	11	394	142	734	2,933	13,032
Apr.	3,114	1,411	670	760	2,077	20	421	137	483	3,303	12,396
May	3,171	1,403	763	805	2,236	22	788	282	1,163	2,954	13,587
June	3,131	1,200	595	889	2,555	26	1,288	607	457	2,986	13,734
July	2,891	1,054	282	926	2,574	47	1,698	1,417	376	1,707	12,972
Aug.	3,156	1,188	243	715	2,400	32	1,662	1,978	305	2,006	13,685
1960											
Jan.-Aug.	25,087	8,986	3,829	3,993	23,747	114	4,542	3,137	955	19,929	94,319
1961											
Jan.-Aug.	29,056	8,686	2,523	3,834	13,497	177	4,811	2,790	2,172	18,555	86,101
1962											
Jan.-Aug. 8/	24,529	10,209	4,293	6,127	15,795	191	6,955	5,070	4,402	21,082	98,653

1/ Includes manufactures of mohair, alpaca, and other wool-like specialty hair. 2/ Not including rags. 3/ Includes pile fabrics and manufactures, tapestry and upholstery goods, press and billiard cloths. 4/ Includes carriage and automobile robes, steamer rugs, etc. 5/ Includes laces, lace articles, veils and veilings, nets and nettings, when reported in pounds. 6/ Includes knit fabrics in the piece and miscellaneous manufactures not elsewhere specified. 7/ Monthly data may not always agree with the annual because of rounding and minor revisions in the annual report. 8/ Preliminary.

Compiled from reports of the United States Department of Commerce.

Table 15.--Raw wool content of United States exports of domestic wool manufactures, annual 1958-61, by months, 1960 to date 1/

Year and month	Noils and wastes 2/	Tops and advanced wool	Yarns	Fabrics woven and knit	Wool blankets	Wearing Apparel		Felts	Other manufactures 3/	Carpets and rugs	Total
						Knit	Other than knit				
	1 000 pounds	1,000 pounds	1,000 pounds	1,000 pounds	1,000 pounds	1,000 pounds	1.000 pounds	1,000 pounds	1,000 pounds	1,000 pounds	1,000 pounds
1958	1,748	95	133	664	242	177	364	176	314	664	4,577
1959	1.321	231	270	598	1,013	116	303	220	375	489	4,936
1960	1,470	297	281	950	114	160	345	252	360	466	4,695
1961	1,657	278	232	563	88	162	323	198	489	553	4,543
1960											
Jan.	105	19	13	33	12	5	13	27	20	78	325
Feb.	142	18	45	42	14	6	16	18	27	37	365
Mar.	88	7	25	40	26	4	24	30	41	42	327
Apr	189	29	29	39	3	9	22	16	16	43	395
May.	46	16	32	55	2	8	26	29	34	27	275
June	69	25	23	50	4	10	18	25	16	28	268
July	114	36	18	58	18	15	24	15	39	35	355
Aug.	94	36	15	69	2	17	31	23	30	30	347
Sept.	186	39	23	71	2	18	43	10	37	32	461
Oct.	149	28	12	49	4	18	51	21	36	29	397
Nov.	249	21	21	391	21	41	44	17	39	46	890
Dec.	40	40	25	52	6	9	32	23	22	38	287
Annual 4/	1,470	297	281	950	114	160	345	252	360	466	4.695
1961											
Jan.	74	43	15	34	2	8	18	18	26	54	292
Feb.	143	37	28	32	2	5	18	12	61	41	379
Mar.	125	7	24	38	4	7	21	11	91	55	383
Apr.	276	35	18	58	3	13	17	22	43	31	516
May	79	19	12	38	7	8	17	14	40	43	277
June	110	13	6	74	2	8	23	15	17	46	314
July	75	8	11	56	23	22	16	12	13	49	285
Aug.	152	16	12	41	14	18	33	26	33	50	395
Sept.	99	41	6	41	9	17	43	12	28	42	338
Oct.	193	37	32	62	5	20	60	18	19	37	483
Nov.	180	14	26	51	10	20	27	16	33	60	437
Dec.	150	8	41	38	8	16	29	19	87	47	443
Annual 4/	1,657	278	232	563	88	162	323	198	489	553	4,543
1962 5/											
Jan.	64	24	39	40	2	7	12	15	24	43	270
Feb.	112	16	24	56	3	3	24	23	9	82	352
Mar.	167	23	16	74	2	5	21	20	21	42	391
Apr.	242	25	10	58	3	9	13	11	28	84	483
May	81	28	5	47	9	3	8	15	74	63	333
June	222	19	14	51	2	13	20	23	119	24	507
July	93	11	9	63	3	8	18	10	19	51	285
Aug.	94	27	25	59	11	19	29	13	28	51	356
1960											
Jan.-Aug.	847	169	200	386	81	74	174	183	223	320	2,657
1961											
Jan.-Aug.	1,034	178	126	371	57	89	163	130	324	369	2,841
1962											
Jan.-Aug. 5/	1,075	173	142	448	35	67	145	130	322	440	2,977

1/ Includes manufactures of mohair, alpaca, and other wool-like specialty hair. Omissions indicate data were not reported separately. 2/ Not including rags. 3/ Census Bureau's Schedule B classification designated manufactures, n. e. c. 4/ Monthly data may not always agree with the annual because of rounding and minor revisions in the annual report. 5/ Preliminary.

Compiled from reports of the U. S. Department of Commerce.

Table 16 .--Production of woolen and worsted woven goods, United States, annual 1960-61, by quarters, January-March 1961 to date 1/

Fabric	1960	1961	1961 Jan.-Mar.	1961 Apr.-June	1961 July-Sept.	1961 Oct.-Dec.	1962 Jan.-Mar.	1962 Apr.-June
	1,000 linear yards	1,000 linear yards	1,000 linear yards	1,000 linear yards	1,000 linear yards	1,000 linear yards	1,000 linear yards	1,000 linear yards
Woven fabric (except felt)	286,456	286,883	63,832	79,590	74,435	69,026	75,464	82,505
Apparel	280,757	280,141	62,779	78,315	72,694	66,353	73,431	80,813
Government orders	3,298	4,254	1,304	454	816	1,680	3,671	2,367
Other than Government orders	277,459	275,887	61,475	77,861	71,878	64,673	69,760	78,446
Men's and boys'	2/114,789	2/102,973	2/25,065	2/30,535	2/23,655	2/23,718	2/27,694	2/30,084
Woolen	53,988	41,419	9,918	12,044	9,782	9,675	11,136	11,354
Worsted	54,831	56,776	13,743	17,405	12,800	12,828	15,287	17,413
Women's and children's	3/162,670	3/172,914	3/36,410	3/47,326	3/48,223	3/40,955	3/42,066	3/48,362
Woolen	110,434	142,103	26,163	31,021	39,220	33,194	34,654	38,418
Worsted	10,544	14,139	2,607	3,727	3,830	3,564	3,378	4,167
Non-apparel	5,699	6,742	1,053	1,275	1,741	2,673	2,033	1,692
Blanketing	4,129	4,458	738	782	945	1,993	1,423	1,149
Government orders	4/	4/	4/	4/	4/	4/	4/	4/
Other than Government orders	4/	4/	4/	4/	4/	4/	4/	4/
Transportation upholstery	243	908	81	168	404	255	226	203
Other non-apparel	1,327	1,376	234	325	392	425	384	340
	1,000 pounds	1,000 pounds	1,000 pounds	1,000 pounds	1,000 pounds	1,000 pounds	1,000 pounds	1,000 pounds
Woven felt	8,859	8,691	2,029	2,277	2,065	2,320	2,487	2,419

1/ Fabrics wholly or chiefly by weight of wool, reused wool, reprocessed wool, or other animal fibers. Blanketing in 72 inch width or equivalent, other fabrics in 54 to 60 inch widths or equivalent 54 inch width.

2/ Includes fabrics 20 oz. and over for which breakdown not available.

3/ Includes fabrics 16 oz. and over for which breakdown not available.

4/ Not available.

Compiled from reports of the Bureau of the Census.

Table 17.--Manufacturer's shipments of tufted rugs and carpeting, United States, annual 1956-61, semi-annual January-June 1959 to date

Year	Scatter rugs, bathmats and sets (rugs 4 ft. x 6 ft. or smaller)	Rugs and carpeting including roll goods (rugs larger than 4 ft. x 6 ft.)	Total
	1,000 sq. yd.	1,000 sq. yd.	1,000 sq. yd.
1956	28,949	54,228	83,177
1957	30,725	68,926	99,651
1958	34,057	79,583	113,640
1959	36,416	96,107	132,523
1960	38,220	113,764	151,984
1961	43,537	131,165	174,702
Jan.-June 1959	17,070	47,084	64,154
July-Dec.	19,346	49,023	68,369
Jan.-June 1960	18,496	57,091	75,587
July-Dec.	19,724	56,673	76,397
Jan.-June 1961	20,418	62,056	82,474
July-Dec.	23,119	69,109	92,228
Jan.-June 1962	21,399	78,266	99,665

Compiled from Current Industrial Reports M 22 L, Bureau of the Census.

Table 18.--Yarns consumed in the manufacuture of tufted rugs and carpeting, United States, annual 1956-61, semi-annual January-June 1959 to date

Year	Yarn consumed				
	Cotton	Rayon and actetate	Wool	Other	Total
	Mil. lb.	Mil. lb.	Mil. lb.	Mil. lb.	Mil. lb.
1956	39.7	87.1	6.8	12.0	145.6
1957	40.5	104.1	14.8	17.2	176.6
1958	44.1	88.2	23.8	25.1	181.2
1959	50.8	81.2	42.7	30.5	205.2
1960	49.1	74.6	55.9	43.9	223.5
1961	44.6	78.0	51.5	71.3	245.4
Jan.-June 1959	24.2	42.8	20.9	15.0	102.9
July-Dec.	26.6	38.4	21.8	15.5	102.3
Jan.-June 1960	24.6	37.2	27.1	20.5	109.4
July-Dec.	24.5	37.4	28.8	23.4	114.1
Jan.-June 1961	22.1	33.9	25.0	32.5	113.5
July-Dec.	22.9	44.5	27.0	41.6	136.0
Jan.-June 1962	21.4	44.5	26.8	52.3	145.0
	Percentage of total consumed				
	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.
1956	27.3	59.8	4.7	8.2	100.0
1957	22.9	58.9	8.4	9.8	100.0
1958	24.3	48.7	13.1	13.9	100.0
1959	24.8	39.6	20.8	14.8	100.0
1960	22.0	33.4	25.0	19.6	100.0
1961	18.2	31.8	21.0	29.0	100.0
Jan.-June 1959	23.5	41.6	20.3	14.6	100.0
July-Dec.	26.0	37.5	21.3	15.2	100.0
Jan.-June 1960	22.5	34.0	24.8	18.7	100.0
July-Dec.	21.5	32.8	25.2	20.5	100.0
Jan.-June 1961	19.5	29.9	22.0	28.6	100.0
July-Dec.	16.8	32.7	19.9	30.6	100.0
Jan.-June 1962	14.8	30.7	18.5	36.0	100.0

Compiled from Current Industrial Reports M 22 L, Bureau of the Census.

Table 19.--Price per pound of British Dominion wool, (Bradford grade), by months, January 1960 to date

Year and month	Combing							
	70's	64's	60's	58's	56's	50's	48's	46's
	Cents	Cents	Cents	Cents	Cents	Cents	Cents	Cents
1960								
January	119.0	112.0	105.0	98.0	94.5	88.7	86.3	84.0
February	113.3	106.3	99.3	94.6	89.9	82.9	80.6	79.4
March	115.7	108.7	101.7	97.0	97.0	85.3	83.0	81.8
April	121.7	115.9	106.5	99.5	96.0	87.8	81.9	79.6
May	115.7	108.7	100.5	94.7	93.5	86.5	79.5	78.3
June	114.4	107.4	100.4	94.6	93.4	86.4	79.4	78.2
July	111.2	102.9	97.1	92.4	85.4	79.6	78.4	77.2
August	101.9	96.0	90.2	86.6	85.5	79.6	77.3	76.1
September	102.0	96.1	89.1	85.6	82.0	76.2	75.0	72.7
October	100.7	94.9	87.9	84.3	82.0	76.1	73.8	71.5
November	104.3	98.5	90.3	86.8	83.2	79.7	77.4	75.0
December	102.9	97.1	88.9	86.6	86.6	78.4	74.9	73.7
1961								
January	100.6	95.9	88.9	86.5	86.5	78.3	74.8	73.7
February	103.8	100.3	93.3	91.0	86.3	80.5	77.0	74.7
March	104.9	101.4	94.4	90.9	85.1	80.4	74.6	72.3
April	114.3	108.4	100.3	96.8	89.8	82.8	78.1	74.6
May	117.6	111.8	103.6	100.1	93.1	86.1	78.0	75.7
June	117.4	110.4	102.3	98.8	91.8	82.5	75.6	73.2
July	115.0	108.0	97.6	95.2	85.9	76.7	72.0	70.8
August	116.8	109.8	100.4	98.1	91.1	84.1	78.2	74.7
September	113.7	106.6	98.4	96.1	87.9	79.7	76.2	73.8
October	109.1	100.9	93.8	91.5	86.8	80.9	76.2	73.9
November	109.1	102.0	95.0	91.5	88.0	79.8	76.2	73.9
December	108.9	100.7	93.7	89.0	86.6	78.4	74.9	72.6
1962								
January	108.9	100.7	93.7	89.0	85.5	77.3	73.8	71.4
February	114.9	107.9	98.5	93.8	88.0	77.4	73.9	71.5
March	118.5	112.6	100.9	95.0	89.2	77.4	73.9	71.6
April	120.8	114.9	102.0	96.1	90.3	78.6	73.9	71.5
May	120.7	113.7	100.8	94.9	90.2	77.3	72.6	70.3
June	121.7	113.5	100.6	94.8	90.1	77.2	72.5	71.4
July	120.4	112.3	100.6	94.7	85.4	73.7	70.2	66.7
August	114.5	105.1	94.6	90.0	86.5	74.8	72.4	71.3
September	114.4	105.0	94.5	89.9	85.2	73.5	71.2	67.7

Compiled from reports of United Kingdom-Dominion Wool Disposals Limited and New Zealand Wool Commission.

Table 20.--Price per pound of fleece wools, clean basis, (Bradford grade) at the London auctions, by months, January 1960 to date

Week ending 1/	Good medium fleeces		Fine crossbred fleeces		Crossbred fleeces	
	64's-70's	58's-60's	56's	50's	48's	46's
	Cents	Cents	Cents	Cents	Cents	Cents
1960						
January 15	122.4	107.3	94.4	88.6	86.3	86.3
January 22	122.6	107.4	94.6	88.7	86.4	86.4
February 12	119.1	105.1	91.1	85.2	82.9	82.9
February 26	118.0	105.1	87.6	82.9	80.6	80.6
March 25	122.8	107.6	91.2	85.4	84.2	83.0
April 1	122.8	107.6	91.3	85.4	84.2	83.1
May 13	119.3	104.1	87.7	83.0	80.7	80.7
May 20	119.2	104.0	88.8	83.0	80.7	80.7
July 8	115.8	98.3	88.9	83.1	80.7	80.7
July 15	119.4	98.3	88.9	83.1	80.7	80.7
September 16	109.1	92.7	---	79.8	77.4	77.4
September 23	109.0	92.6	---	79.7	77.3	77.3
October 28	109.0	---	---	---	---	77.4
November 25	109.0	91.4	85.5	79.7	77.3	77.3
December 2	108.9	91.3	85.5	79.6	76.1	76.1
December 16	108.8	---	84.2	---	---	74.9
1961						
January 20	109.9	93.6	85.4	79.5	76.0	76.0
February 10	110.9	95.7	86.4	80.6	77.0	77.0
February 16	113.1	96.8	86.3	81.6	78.1	78.1
March 17	113.1	94.5	84.0	79.3	75.8	75.8
March 24	113.1	96.7	83.9	76.9	74.6	74.6
April 28	122.3	103.7	---	81.6	78.1	78.1
June 2	118.6	101.2	---	79.1	75.6	74.4
June 9	122.1	103.5	---	79.0	75.6	74.4
July 7	119.5	101.0	---	77.8	74.3	73.1
September 15	121.9	104.3	---	82.0	77.3	76.2
September 22	117.2	99.6	---	80.9	77.4	76.2
October 27	116.1	98.5	---	79.8	76.3	75.1
November 3	116.1	98.5	---	79.7	76.2	75.0
December 1	115.9	98.3	---	79.6	76.1	74.9
December 8	114.8	97.2	90.2	79.6	76.1	75.0
1962						
January 19	114.8	96.0	86.7	77.3	73.8	72.6
January 26	117.2	97.2	87.9	78.5	75.0	73.8
February 23	117.2	98.5	87.9	78.5	75.0	73.9
March 2	118.5	99.7	88.0	78.6	75.1	73.9
March 30	121.9	103.2	89.1	79.7	75.0	73.9
April 6	121.9	103.2	89.1	80.9	76.2	75.0
May 18	124.2	---	89.1	80.9	76.2	75.0
May 25	125.3	105.4	89.0	80.8	76.1	75.0
July 6	126.3	105.3	90.0	80.7	76.0	74.8
July 13	126.3	105.3	90.1	80.7	74.9	73.7
September 14	116.7	---	85.2	75.9	71.2	70.0
September 21	114.4	---	---	75.8	71.2	70.0

1/ Opening and closing weeks for each series.

Compiled from Krelinger and Fernau market reports. Prices converted from pence (United Kingdom) to cents at current rates of exchange.

Table 21.--Estimated consumption of wool in the 10 chief wool manufacturing countries, clean basis, annual 1959-61, by quarters, Jan.-Mar. 1961 to date

Country	Year			1961				1962		Percentage change	
	1959	1960	1961	Jan.-Mar.	Apr.-June	July-Sept.	Oct.-Dec.	Jan.-Mar.	Apr.-June	Jan.-June 1962 to Jan.-Mar. 1962	Apr.-June 1962 to Apr.-June 1961
	Mil. lb.	Mil. lb.	Mil. lb.	Mil. lb.	Mil. lb.	Mil. lb.	Mil. lb.	Mil. lb.	Mil. lb.	Pct.	Pct.
United States 1/	431	407	410	92.9	103.9	104.8	108.4	108.5	110.0	+ 1.4	+ 5.9
United Kingdom	509	481	472	125.5	124.5	106.0	115.9	121.5	113.2	- 6.8	- 9.1
France	266	301	301	81.6	79.6	62.1	77.8	79.2	75.0	- 5.3	- 5.9
Japan	228	269	311	66.5	77.6	79.6	86.5	83.5	87.8	+ 5.1	+13.1
Italy	166	198	187	50.4	45.6	44.5	46.5	48.8	48.8	---	+ 7.0
West Germany	150	151	150	39.0	37.7	36.4	36.8	37.8	37.9	+ .3	+ .5
Belgium	80	86	82	23.2	19.8	17.6	21.5	25.6	24.3	- 5.1	+22.7
Australia	73	74	65	15.4	15.7	16.2	17.3	17.4	18.0	+ 3.4	+14.6
Netherlands	25	22	21	5.7	5.8	4.8	5.1	5.6	5.9	+ 5.4	+ 1.7
Sweden	11	12	11	3.0	2.5	2.0	3.1	3.1	2.6	-16.1	+ 4.0
Total	1,939	2,001	2,010	503.2	512.7	474.0	518.9	531.2	523.5	- 1.5	+ 2.1

1/ Consumption on woolen and worsted system only.

Compiled from reports of the Commonwealth Economic Committee.

Table 22.--Estimated world production of raw wool, 1958-59 to 1962-63

Country and type	1958-59	1959-60	1960-61	1961-62	1962-63 1/
	Mil. lb.	Mil. lb.	Mil. lb.	Mil. lb.	Mil. lb.
Australia	1,591	1,680	1,625	1,700	1,707
New Zealand	540	577	588	587	605
United Kingdom	119	124	121	130	127
Argentina	421	423	431	400	380
South Africa	314	319	317	334	331
United States	295	319	323	318	306
Uruguay	175	159	181	185	185
Other	890	909	895	906	909
Total Free World	4,345	4,511	4,481	4,560	4,550
Soviet Bloc	1,012	1,113	1,120	1,095	1,115
World total	5,357	5,624	5,601	5,655	5,665
Of which:					
Merino type	2,173	2,317	2,266	2,327	2,327
Crossbred	1,972	2,033	2,063	2,074	2,088
Total apparel	4,145	4,350	4,329	4,401	4,415
Other	1,212	1,274	1,272	1,254	1,250
Clean equivalent					
Merino type	1,166	1,258	1,239	1,272	1,272
Crossbred	1,279	1,327	1,349	1,356	1,365
Total apparel	2,445	2,585	2,588	2,628	2,637
Other	606	637	636	627	625
Total	3,051	3,222	3,224	3,255	3,262

1/ Estimated.

Compiled from reports of the Commonwealth Economic Committee.

Table 23.--Production of wool and hair tops, by specified countries, annual 1959-61, by quarters, January-March 1961 to date

Country	Year			1961				1962		Percentage change	
	1959	1960	1961	Jan.-Mar.	Apr.-June	July-Sept.	Oct.-Dec.	Jan.-Mar.	Apr.-June	Apr.-June 1962 to Jan.-Mar. 1962	Apr.-June 1962 to Apr.-June 1961
	Million pounds	Million pounds	Million pounds	Million pounds	Million pounds	Million pounds	Million pounds	Million pounds	Million pounds	Percent	Percent
United Kingdom	348.3	319.2	320.1	86.2	85.5	72.1	76.4	80.9	73.1	- 9.7	-14.5
France	177.4	192.7	190.2	53.1	49.9	37.8	49.5	51.7	46.6	- 9.9	- 6.6
Japan	175.4	217.5	247.1	53.7	61.8	63.0	68.5	67.1	70.5	+ 5.1	+14.1
Italy	115.3	132.9	125.7	35.4	31.6	29.2	29.6	32.4	32.0	- 1.2	+ 1.3
United States	133.6	125.5	141.6	28.9	37.1	36.6	39.1	40.7	43.1	+ 5.9	+16.2
West Germany	75.7	84.3	77.3	21.6	20.0	16.9	18.8	19.2	20.2	+ 5.2	+ 1.0
Belgium	49.3	54.3	57.8	14.8	15.2	12.8	15.0	15.8	15.4	- 2.5	+ 1.3
Australia	46.0	45.1	41.7	9.5	10.0	10.4	11.8	11.7	11.9	+ 1.7	+19.0
Uruguay	24.7	21.3	25.5	7.7	7.8	5.2	4.8	10.8	7.7	-28.7	- 1.3
Netherlands	5.3	4.7	4.0	1.2	1.1	.9	.8	1.0	1.0	---	- 9.1
Total	1,151	1,198	1,231	312.1	320.0	284.9	314.3	331.3	321.5	-3.0	+ .5

Compiled from reports of the Commonwealth Economic Committee.

Table 24.--Production of woolen and worsted yarn, by specified countries, annual 1959-61, by quarters, January-March 1961 to date

Country	Year			1961				1962		Percentage change	
	1959	1960	1961	Jan.-Mar.	Apr.-June	July-Sept.	Oct.-Dec.	Jan.-Mar.	Apr.-June	Apr.-June 1962 to Jan.-Mar. 1962	Apr.-June 1962 to Apr.-June 1961
	Million pounds	Million pounds	Million pounds	Million pounds	Million pounds	Million pounds	Million pounds	Million pounds	Million pounds	Percent	Percent
United States	708.6	674.3	659.3	154.0	170.0	165.9	169.9	175.0	183.0	+4.6	+ 7.6
United Kingdom	543.2	546.5	526.0	138.7	133.6	119.1	134.6	136.3	132.4	-2.9	- .9
Italy	367.6	429.1	430.3	103.0	111.6	104.5	111.2	113.3	112.4	- .8	+ .7
France	300.5	315.1	324.1	82.0	85.9	71.2	85.0	83.5	84.1	+ .7	- 2.1
West Germany	248.4	259.1	250.6	64.8	61.8	60.5	63.5	65.7	64.1	-2.4	+ 3.7
Japan	278.5	315.9	333.5	75.2	84.4	84.6	89.3	83.3	90.5	+8.6	+ 7.2
Belgium	102.5	112.0	119.3	30.8	30.2	26.4	32.0	32.6	32.2	-1.2	+ 6.6
Netherlands	66.2	62.8	64.6	16.5	16.1	15.5	16.5	16.6	16.2	-2.4	+ .6
Australia	46.5	52.4	41.7	11.2	10.1	9.7	10.7	12.2	13.3	+9.0	+31.7
Sweden	27.8	29.0	28.3	7.5	7.5	5.8	7.5	7.5	7.4	-1.3	- 1.3
Total	2,690	2,796	2,778	683.7	711.2	663.2	720.2	726.0	735.6	+1.3	+ 3.4

Compiled from reports of the Commonwealth Economic Committee.

Table 25.--Production of woven fabrics, by specified countries, annual 1959-61, by quarters, January-March 1961 to date

Country	Year			1961				1962		Percentage change	
	1959	1960	1961	Jan.-Mar.	Apr.-June	July-Sept.	Oct.-Dec.	Jan.-Mar.	Apr.-June	Apr.-June 1962 to Jan.-Mar. 1962	Apr.-June 1962 to Apr.-June 1961
	Million square yards	Million square yards	Million square yards	Million square yards	Million square yards	Million square yards	Million square yards	Million square yards	Million square yards	Percent	Percent
United States	523.2	481.9	478.8	105.8	132.0	125.0	116.0	126.9	115.0	-9.4	-12.9
United Kingdom	395.9	398.5	385.5	100.0	93.2	92.3	100.0	92.4	85.6	-7.4	- 8.2
Japan	322.0	382.2	404.8	97.9	101.8	104.2	100.9	93.5	100.0	+7.0	- 1.8
Italy	245.1	240.8	238.3	58.6	59.8	56.8	63.0	64.7	63.7	-1.6	+ 6.5
France	196.0	199.3	202.0	54.3	55.7	37.3	54.7	55.8	54.0	-3.2	- 3.1
West Germany	190.8	202.1	202.9	51.4	48.2	50.6	52.6	55.7	57.3	+2.9	+18.9
Netherlands	66.7	68.2	71.8	18.0	18.5	17.4	17.9	18.5	18.7	+1.1	+ 1.1
Australia	38.1	39.6	32.2	8.6	7.8	7.6	8.2	8.9	9.0	+1.1	+15.4
Total	1,977.8	2,012.6	2,016.3	494.6	517.0	491.2	513.3	516.4	503.3	-2.5	- 2.7
Belgium (Mil. lb.)	32.8	32.8	37.5	9.1	9.6	8.8	10.0	9.3	9.5	+2.2	- 1.1

Compiled from reports of the Commonwealth Economic Committee.

Table 26.--World trade in tops, by specified countries, annual 1959-61, by quarters, January-March 1961 to date

Country	Year			1961				1962		Percentage change	
	1959	1960	1961	Jan.-Mar.	Apr.-June	July-Sept.	Oct.-Dec.	Jan.-Mar.	Apr.-June	Apr.-June 1962 to Jan.-Mar. 1962	Apr.-June 1962 to Apr.-June 1961
	Mil. lb.	Mil. lb.	Mil. lb.	Mil. lb.	Mil. lb.	Mil. lb.	Mil. lb.	Mil. lb.	Mil. lb.	Percent	Percent
Exports											
United Kingdom	96.0	91.1	92.1	24.4	24.2	22.4	21.1	19.4	20.9	+ 7.7	- 13.6
France	54.7	57.6	54.1	14.8	14.1	12.9	12.3	15.6	15.0	- 3.8	+ 6.4
Uruguay	24.7	21.3	25.5	7.7	7.8	5.2	4.8	6.1	6.7	+ 9.8	- 14.1
Australia	21.5	19.2	19.7	3.6	5.5	4.5	6.1	5.6	5.2	- 7.2	- 5.5
Belgium	17.2	17.9	19.2	4.2	4.8	4.5	5.6	4.3	5.4	+ 25.6	+ 12.5
Republic of South Africa	10.6	8.9	8.5	2.2	1.9	1.8	2.6	2.1	2.5	+ 19.0	+ 31.6
Japan	4.6	6.1	8.2	2.7	1.8	1.4	2.3	4.0	4.5	+ 12.5	+150.0
Germany (Fed. Rep.)	4.4	2.9	3.8	.5	1.4	.8	1.2	1.0	1.1	+ 10.0	- 21.4
Argentina	1.7	2.1	2.2	1.0	.4	.7	.1	.4	.8	+100.0	+100.0
Switzerland	1.2	.7	.9	.2	.3	.2	.2	.4	.2	- 50.0	- 33.3
Total	236.6	227.8	234.2	61.3	62.2	54.4	56.3	58.9	62.3	+ 5.8	+ .2
Imports											
Belgium	21.8	29.8	29.8	8.2	7.8	7.1	6.6	8.7	6.6	- 24.1	- 15.4
Netherlands	19.1	16.7	18.0	5.2	4.5	4.1	4.1	4.8	4.6	- 4.2	+ 2.2
India	15.2	15.0	12.5	2.3	4.7	2.9	2.5	3.4	2.7	- 20.6	- 42.6
Germany (Fed. Rep.)	12.1	11.7	7.9	2.0	2.0	1.8	2.2	2.8	2.7	- 3.6	+ 50.0
Canada	11.8	11.5	12.4	2.8	3.1	2.7	3.7	3.0	3.0	---	- 3.2
Switzerland	12.1	11.4	12.0	3.4	2.8	2.6	3.2	3.3	3.0	- 9.1	+ 7.1
Italy	12.8	10.9	12.9	2.4	3.7	3.9	2.9	4.3	4.8	+ 11.6	+ 29.7
Greece	7.2	8.4	8.2	2.5	2.0	1.9	1.8	1.9	2.0	+ 5.3	---
Japan	7.9	6.0	14.6	2.5	5.4	4.7	2.0	1.9	3.3	+ 73.7	- 38.9
Sweden	6.0	6.0	5.4	1.7	1.2	.8	1.6	1.7	1.3	- 23.5	+ 8.3
France	5.2	4.9	5.0	1.0	1.5	1.0	1.5	1.4	1.5	+ 7.1	---
United States	4.2	4.6	3.4	.8	1.0	.9	.7	1.7	2.1	+ 23.5	+110.0
Denmark	4.2	4.1	4.2	1.0	.9	1.0	1.3	.8	1.0	+ 25.0	+ 11.1
Norway	3.2	2.7	2.9	.7	.8	.5	.9	.9	.7	- 22.2	- 12.5
United Kingdom	3.0	1.4	2.3	.4	.5	.7	.7	.7	.5	- 28.6	---
Irish Republic	1.3	2.7	2.5	.6	.6	.6	.7	.7	.6	- 14.3	---
Total	147.1	147.8	154.0	37.5	42.5	37.2	36.4	42.0	40.5	- 3.6	- 4.7

Compiled from reports of the Commonwealth Economic Committee.

Table 27.--World trade in woolen and worsted yarn, by specified countries, annual 1959-61, by quarters, October-December 1960 to date

Country	Year			1960	1961				1962	Percentage change	
	1959	1960	1961	Oct.-Dec.	Jan.-Mar.	Apr.-June	July-Sept.	Oct.-Dec.	Jan.-Mar.	Jan.-Mar. 1962 to Oct.-Dec. 1961	Jan.-Mar. 1962 to Jan.-Mar. 1961
	Mil. lb.	Mil. lb.	Mil. lb.	Mil. lb.	Mil. lb.	Mil. lb.	Mil. lb.	Mil. lb.	Mil. lb.	Percent	Percent
Exports											
France	51.3	62.6	69.6	17.3	15.8	17.8	16.0	19.9	17.2	- 13.6	+ 8.9
Belgium	35.2	39.6	40.8	10.8	9.5	9.3	10.9	11.1	11.0	- .9	+ 15.8
United Kingdom	31.1	32.9	29.1	8.3	8.0	6.9	6.7	7.5	7.4	- 1.3	- 7.5
Italy	11.3	13.9	20.6	3.6	4.5	4.7	4.9	6.4	3.9	- 39.1	- 13.3
Japan	8.0	8.4	7.7	2.4	1.6	1.6	1.9	2.6	3.3	+ 26.9	+106.3
Netherlands	11.3	11.2	11.7	3.4	2.7	2.3	3.2	3.5	3.0	- 14.3	+ 11.1
West Germany	5.9	6.0	5.9	1.8	1.1	1.4	1.7	1.7	1.7	---	+ 54.5
Austria	5.4	4.8	4.3	1.5	.9	1.0	1.2	1.2	1.2	---	- 33.3
Switzerland	4.6	4.4	4.3	1.0	.9	1.0	1.1	1.2	1.0	- 16.7	+ 11.1
Total	164.1	183.8	194.0	50.1	45.0	46.0	47.6	55.1	49.7	- 9.8	+ 10.4
Imports											
West Germany	63.3	71.2	72.7	18.5	15.7	18.9	17.5	20.6	18.5	- 10.2	+ 17.8
Netherlands	25.1	21.9	25.0	6.6	6.6	6.1	5.4	6.9	6.4	- 7.3	- 3.0
Belgium	7.9	8.6	10.3	2.7	2.6	2.6	2.3	2.8	3.3	+ 17.8	+ 26.9
Sweden	6.6	6.9	6.4	1.7	1.6	1.6	1.6	1.7	1.8	+ 5.9	+ 12.5
Switzerland	5.9	4.8	4.8	1.5	1.1	1.2	1.2	1.3	1.0	- 23.1	- 9.1
Denmark	5.6	5.7	6.8	1.9	1.6	1.5	1.6	2.2	1.9	- 13.6	+ 18.8
United Kingdom	5.5	5.3	8.6	1.7	1.8	2.2	2.2	2.4	2.0	- 16.7	+ 11.1
Austria	5.4	6.8	6.2	1.8	1.5	1.4	1.6	1.7	1.8	+ 5.9	+ 20.0
United States	5.0	5.0	5.3	.9	1.2	1.5	1.4	1.2	1.9	+ 58.3	+ 58.3
Norway	3.0	2.6	2.4	.8	.6	.5	.5	.8	.6	- 25.0	---
Canada	2.5	2.9	2.6	.7	.7	.6	.6	.8	.8	---	+ 14.3
Irish Republic	2.1	2.7	2.9	.6	.7	.7	.7	.8	1.0	+ 25.0	+ 42.9
Total	137.9	144.4	154.0	39.4	35.7	38.8	36.6	43.2	41.0	- 5.1	+ 14.8

Compiled from reports of the Commonwealth Economic Committee.

Table 28.--Exports of woolen and worsted fabric from chief exporting countries, annual 1959-61, by quarters, October-December 1960 to date

Country	Year			1960	1961				1962	Percentage change	
	1959	1960	1961	Oct.-Dec.	Jan.-Mar.	Apr.-June	July-Sept.	Oct.-Dec.	Jan.-Mar.	Jan.-Mar. 1962 to Oct.-Dec. 1961	Jan.-Mar. 1962 to Jan.-Mar. 1961
	Mil. lb.	Mil. lb.	Mil. lb.	Mil. lb.	Mil. lb.	Mil. lb.	Mil. lb.	Mil. lb.	Mil. lb.	Percent	Percent
Italy	81.7	94.1	100.5	22.2	13.9	28.0	36.3	22.4	16.9	- 24.6	+ 21.6
United Kingdom	57.1	53.7	49.0	12.9	12.9	11.8	13.0	11.4	11.8	+ 3.5	- 8.5
Belgium	22.3	23.8	27.5	6.0	6.8	6.4	6.4	7.9	7.5	- 5.1	+ 10.3
Japan	15.7	17.3	12.0	5.9	3.4	2.1	2.7	3.8	3.1	- 18.4	- 8.8
Netherlands	12.7	12.9	12.7	3.0	3.3	3.0	3.6	2.8	3.0	+ 7.1	- 9.1
France	12.1	13.1	13.4	3.1	2.9	3.2	4.0	3.3	3.1	- 6.1	+ 6.9
West Germany	6.6	6.2	5.8	1.5	1.2	1.3	1.8	1.5	1.5	---	+ 25.0
Switzerland	2.7	2.4	2.6	.5	.6	.6	.8	.6	.6	---	---
Austria	1.5	1.7	2.1	.5	.3	.5	.5	.7	.6	- 14.3	+100.0
Total	214.4	225.2	225.6	55.6	45.3	56.9	69.1	54.4	48.0	- 11.8	+ 6.0

Compiled from reports of the Commonwealth Economic Committee.

ANNUAL STATISTICAL SUMMARY
Part I - Prices

Item	1954	1955	1956	1957	1958	1959	1960	1961
	Cents	Cents	Cents	Cents	Cents	Cents	Cents	Cents
Wool								
Average price received by farmers, grease basis	53.2	42.8	44.3	53.7	36.4	43.3	42.0	42.9
Boston, clean basis 1/								
Domestic								
Graded territory								
Find good French combing and staple	170.6	142.1	137.1	161.3	118.5	121.6	116.5	118.4
1/2 blood good French combing and staple	152.9	131.8	126.2	151.9	110.5	116.8	111.9	111.6
3/8 blood good French combing and staple	130.9	116.9	115.2	131.0	99.9	107.6	109.6	107.0
1/4 blood good French combing and staple	117.4	108.9	108.3	123.4	95.9	102.7	106.8	103.8
Low 1/4 blood	104.5	99.8	101.4	112.9	88.8	96.9	101.0	99.5
Common and braid	97.5	94.4	96.7	100.7	83.8	92.1	95.3	88.8
Graded fleece								
Delaine	176.2	145.5	139.7	166.0	121.8	122.9	117.5	120.6
1/2 blood good French combing and staple	144.4	124.3	120.7	141.4	105.0	111.6	108.5	108.2
3/8 blood good French combing and staple	117.1	107.5	107.6	121.9	90.2	102.1	107.0	103.2
1/4 blood good French combing and staple	110.6	102.3	103.3	117.2	86.7	98.1	104.4	99.9
Low 1/4 blood	103.7	97.0	95.9	110.3	81.8	91.9	97.8	96.0
Common and braid	96.3	92.6	90.6	94.7	79.6	87.0	90.4	83.3
Original bag Texas								
Fine 12 months good French combing and staple	177.7	145.0	143.7	170.6	123.3	125.8	118.6	122.8
Fine 8 months (1" and over)	162.8	131.6	124.2	148.9	109.6	106.9	106.4	109.4
Fine fall (3/4" and over)	152.7	121.6	117.0	135.6	96.8	100.9	98.6	97.1
Imported, excluding duty								
Australian								
64's, 70's warp and 1/2 warp	177.1	144.6	143.6	160.8	122.8	112.9	121.6	116.0
64's, 70's good topmaking	172.1	139.6	138.6	155.8	117.8	107.9	116.6	111.0
64's combing	165.9	134.6	133.1	149.4	112.8	102.9	111.6	106.0
58's, 60's combing	144.3	123.2	127.9	140.8	104.0	97.9	106.6	101.0
Montevideo super								
0's (58's, 60's)	130.0	116.0	107.8	141.4	106.0	101.2	94.8	87.8
1's (56's)	119.4	110.0	103.4	134.6	99.9	98.5	93.8	86.0
2's (50's)	105.4	104.0	99.4	130.3	97.2	94.2	89.2	84.0
3's (46's, 48's)	94.5	94.7	92.0	97.1	89.5	84.6	85.4	77.5
4's (44's)	87.0	94.0	89.9	94.6	88.4	82.7	85.4	77.5
5's (40's)	87.0	93.1	89.9	94.6	88.4	82.6	85.4	77.5
Buenos Aires								
5's (40's)	80.9	84.0	83.0	90.9	68.2	75.5	81.0	77.5
5/6's (40/36's)	79.2	82.2	82.5	89.7	66.3	74.4	80.3	76.5
Manmade staple fiber								
Viscose, 1-1/2 denier 2/	34.0	33.7	32.0	30.3	31.0	32.3	29.9	27.2
Acetate, 5 denier 2/	32.0	35.3	32.0	32.9	35.6	36.0	36.0	36.0
Nylon, 3 denier 3/	151.7	147.9	125.2	128.0	128.0	128.0	128.0	125.0
Dacron, 3, 4,5, and 6 denier 3/	161.7	157.9	135.5	141.0	140.6	136.0	136.0	127.0
Orlon, 3, 4.5, and 6 denier 3/	152.5	147.9	125.2	128.0	128.0	128.0	128.2	126.0
Acrilan, 3 and 5 denier 3/	140.0	135.3	112.0	113.0	116.0	118.0	118.0	120.7
Dynel, 2, 3, 6, 12, and 24 denier 3/	128.0	124.2	105.0	106.2	110.0	110.0	110.0	104.2

1/ From Weekly Review of the Boston Wool Market.
2/ From Textile Organon.
3/ From Modern Textile Magazine.

ANNUAL STATISTICAL SUMMARY
Part II - Supplies

Item	1954	1955	1956	1957	1958	1959	1960	1961	1962 1/
	Mil. lb.	Mil. lb.	Mil. lb.	Mil. lb.	Mil. lb.	Mil. lb.	Mil. lb.	Mil. lb.	Mil. lb.
Production									
As reported:									
Shorn wool	235.8	241.3	242.2	239.1	243.7	259.9	265.5	261.4	248.8
Pulled wool	43.5	41.6	40.5	33.6	30.4	34.5	33.6	33.5	---
Total	279.3	282.9	282.7	272.7	274.1	294.4	299.1	294.9	---
Approximate clean equivalent 2/									
Shorn wool	103.8	106.2	106.5	105.2	107.2	114.3	119.5	117.6	112.0
Pulled wool	32.6	31.2	30.4	25.2	22.8	25.9	25.2	25.1	---
Total	136.4	137.4	136.9	130.4	130.0	140.2	144.7	142.7	---
Stocks, January 1, scoured basis 3/									
Including foreign wool held in bond									
Apparel wool									
Domestic									
56's and finer	---	---	---	---	60.1	45.4	46.5	47.3	40.0
46's up to 56's	---	---	---	---	17.7	15.7	14.2	13.1	12.9
Coarser than 46's	---	---	---	---	1.0	.8	.8	.9	2.0
Total domestic 4/	---	---	---	---	79.0	61.9	61.9	61.4	55.0
Foreign									
56's and finer	---	---	---	---	24.2	20.7	29.1	22.7	25.5
46's up to 56's	---	---	---	---	6.6	4.6	4.7	3.3	2.9
Coarser than 46's	---	---	---	---	5.2	4.8	5.0	3.9	4.3
Total foreign 4/	---	---	---	---	36.1	30.1	38.8	29.9	32.6
Total apparel	---	---	---	---	115.1	91.9	100.7	91.3	87.6
Carpet wool	42.3	30.3	34.4	33.2	33.8	33.6	50.7	40.7	44.5
Total apparel and carpet	---	---	---	---	148.9	125.5	151.4	132.0	132.1
Excluding foreign wool held in bond									
Apparel wool	---	---	---	---	99.3	81.0	86.9	81.3	77.7
Carpet wool	---	---	---	---	28.4	28.0	37.5	30.5	36.9
Total apparel and carpet	---	---	---	---	127.7	109.0	124.4	111.8	114.6
Imports for consumption									
Clean content									
Dutiable wool									
60's and finer	56.9	65.3	52.4	39.7	38.8	61.9	46.3	61.4	---
56's - 60's	14.5	16.9	15.8	9.0	5.9	9.2	9.6	10.6	---
Total finer than 56's	71.4	82.2	68.2	48.7	44.7	71.1	55.9	72.0	---
50's - 56's	11.5	9.6	11.6	6.9	6.1	7.0	5.2	5.8	---
44's - 50's	4.5	3.6	3.8	2.5	2.7	4.8	2.9	2.4	---
Total 44's - 56's	16.0	13.2	15.4	9.4	8.8	11.8	8.1	8.2	---
40's - 44's	5.5	4.4	4.6	3.9	3.3	3.3	1.9	2.7	---
Not finer than 40's	9.0	10.1	12.6	10.8	7.8	11.7	7.0	5.4	---
Donskoi, Smyrna, etc.	1.7	2.3	2.9	5.2	2.3	2.4	1.3	1.8	---
Total dutiable 5/	103.9	112.8	103.8	78.2	67.1	100.5	74.3	90.3	---
Duty-free wool									
Donskoi, Smyrna, etc.	55.6	74.7	64.3	56.5	42.2	68.0	51.5	46.3	---
Not finer than 40's	46.5	61.3	78.8	64.5	79.1	111.0	85.2	86.6	---
40's - 44's	---	---	---	---	1.2	10.1	13.9	16.5	---
44's - 46's	---	---	---	---	.1	2.5	3.3	8.0	---
Total duty-free	102.1	136.0	143.1	121.0	122.6	191.6	153.9	157.3	---
Total free and dutiable	206.0	248.8	246.9	199.2	189.7	292.1	228.2	247.8	---
Actual weight									
Dutiable wool	159.5	169.0	151.8	111.8	97.1	146.2	106.9	130.1	---
Duty-free wool	144.8	186.0	193.2	162.0	160.9	249.0	202.4	206.0	---
Total free and dutiable	304.3	355.0	345.0	273.8	258.0	395.2	309.4	336.1	---
Exports of domestic wool, clean content 6/									
Apparel wool	1.0	.1	.2	2.2	5.0	7/	.1	.1	---
Carpet wool	.2	.2	.1	.2	.1	.1	.2	.2	---
Total apparel and carpet	1.2	.3	.3	2.4	5.1	.1	.3	.3	---

1/ Preliminary. 2/ Production as reported converted on basis of 44 percent yield for shorn wool for 1953 through 1959 and 45 percent yield beginning with 1960 and 75 percent yield for pulled wool. 3/ Includes wool held on consignment and wool in process of manufacture up to the carding operation, but excludes wool held by the Commodity Credit Corporation for the Department of Defense and wool held by or for the account of growers (except that held on consignment for growers). 4/ Includes a small quantity of wool for which grade is not stated. 5/ Includes a small quantity of carbonized wool for which grade is not reported. 6/ Includes exports of foreign wool scoured or otherwise advanced in condition in the United States. 7/ Less than 50,000 pounds.

Stocks and import data compiled from reports of the Bureau of the Census.

ANNUAL STATISTICAL SUMMARY
Part III - Mill Activity

Item	Unit	1955	1956	1957	1958	1959	1960	1961 1/
Mill consumption 2/								
Annual aggregates								
Apparel wool (domestic and duty-paid foreign)	Million pounds							
60's and finer								
Worsted system	do.	97.6	107.8	78.6	70.3	88.1	73.3	93.0
Woolen system	do.	50.5	52.3	42.3	35.2	44.0	44.4	49.8
Total 60's and finer	do.	148.1	160.1	120.9	105.5	132.1	117.7	142.8
50's up to 60's								
Worsted system	do.	32.2	36.1	33.1	34.2	47.8	53.0	51.7
Woolen system	do.	69.1	71.1	63.6	52.5	59.4	53.5	50.4
Total 50's up to 60's	do.	101.3	107.2	96.7	86.7	107.2	106.5	102.1
48's and coarser								
Worsted system	do.	10.3	8.6	6.2	6.3	6.5	6.5	6.5
Woolen system	do.	21.5	20.8	17.1	13.5	17.0	13.6	11.5
Total 48's and coarser	do.	31.8	29.4	23.3	19.8	23.5	20.1	18.0
Total apparel wool	do.	281.2	296.7	240.9	212.0	262.8	244.3	262.9
Carpet wool (duty-free foreign)	do.	132.6	144.1	127.9	119.1	168.4	162.6	147.0
Total apparel and carpet	do.	413.8	440.8	368.8	331.1	431.2	406.9	409.9
Average weekly rates								
Apparel wool	1,000 pounds	5,407	5,705	4,631	4,000	5,054	4,698	5,055
Carpet wool		2,550	2,771	2,460	2,247	3,239	3,128	2,828
Total apparel and carpet	do.	7,957	8,476	7,091	6,247	8,293	7,826	7,883
Per capita								
Apparel wool	pounds	1.70	1.76	1.41	1.22	1.48	1.35	1.43
Carpet wool	do.	.80	.86	.75	.68	.95	.90	.80
Total apparel and carpet	do.	2.50	2.62	2.16	1.90	2.43	2.25	2.23
Woolen and worsted fabric production 3/								
Woven fabric (except felt)	Million linear yards							
Apparel								
Government orders	do.	5.2	2.3	4.9	5.0	1.6	3.3	4.3
Men's and boys' wear	do.	141.1	154.7	129.1	107.3	132.8	114.8	102.9
Women's and children's wear	do.	151.4	155.6	148.9	149.9	169.1	162.7	172.9
Total apparel fabric	do.	297.7	312.6	282.9	262.2	303.5	280.8	280.1
Non-apparel								
Blanketing	do.	11.8	8.9	8.7	7.2	5.5	4.1	4.5
Draperies and furniture upholstery	do.	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
Transportation upholstery	do.	4.4	2.0	2.0	1.1	.9	.2	.9
Other	do.	3.7	1.9	.9	.8	1.0	1.3	1.4
Total non-apparel fabric	do.	19.9	11.8	11.6	9.1	7.4	5.6	6.8
Total woven fabric (except felt)	do.	317.6	324.4	294.5	271.3	310.8	286.5	286.9
Woven felt	Million pounds							
Papermakers		7.7	7.8	7.2	6.8	7.8	7.2	7.3
Other	do.	3.1	3.2	1.7	1.5	1.8	1.7	1.4
Total woven felt	do.	10.8	11.0	8.9	8.3	9.6	8.9	8.7

1/ Preliminary.
2/ Consumption on the woolen and worsted systems only. Wool is considered as consumed on the woolen system when laid in mixes; consumption on the worsted system is taken as the sum of top and noil combined.
3/ Fabrics wholly or chiefly by weight of wool, reused wool, reprocessed wool or other animal fibers.

Compiled from reports of the Bureau of the Census.

ANNUAL STATISTICAL SUMMARY FOR MOHAIR

Item	Unit	1954	1955	1956	1957	1958	1959	1960	1961
		Supplies and consumption							
Domestic production 1/									
As reported	1,000 pounds	14,578	16,926	18,201	19,053	20,825	24,151	24,464	26,392
Approximate scoured equivalent 2/	1,000 pounds	12.0	13.9	14.9	15.6	17.1	19.8	20.1	21.6
Reported stocks, scoured basis, January 1 3/	1,000 pounds	---	---	---	---	5,701	4,806	2,098	4,104
Imports for consumption, clean content 4/	1,000 pounds	88	13	3	---	---	6	28	---
Exports 5/									
Clean content	1,000 pounds	2,536	6,053	11,835	9,992	13,210	18,561	13,511	13,523
Mill consumption, scoured basis	1,000 pounds	6/	6/	6/	6/	6/	6/	6/	6/
Worsted system	1,000 pounds	5,041	4,443	2,743	2,114	6,147	6/	6/	6/
Woolen system	1,000 pounds	6/	6/	6/	6/	6/	6/	6/	6/
		Prices							
Average price received by farmers, grease basis 7/	Cents per pound	72.4	82.2	84.4	83.7	72.3	96.4	89.7	85.6
Boston market prices for Texas mohair, grease basis									
Graded									
No. 1 Kid (Bulk 36's)	do.	212.6	208.3	162.4	184.4	159.6	177.5	196.7	181.8
No. 2 Kid (Bulk 32's)	do.	191.6	182.3	148.7	164.3	143.5	160.6	179.6	166.8
No. 1 Grown (Bulk 28's)	do.	137.5	117.9	112.8	124.3	103.6	135.2	142.1	135.0
No. 2 Grown (Bulk 24's)	do.	92.5	81.0	91.6	104.7	81.7	108.3	112.0	107.6
No. 3 Grown (Bulk 20's)	do.	77.5	75.3	81.9	94.5	70.8	96.9	100.8	90.8
No.4 Grown (Bulk 18's)	do.	67.5	70.2	75.6	85.2	64.8	89.0	89.3	85.0
Sorted									
40's	do.	241.0	225.4	211.0	220.8	187.2	239.9	245.2	221.2
36's	do.	226.0	200.6	180.2	192.5	166.8	227.5	232.6	213.8
32's	do.	205.6	175.8	154.6	162.8	140.5	177.5	197.7	198.2
30's	do.	152.5	123.1	127.0	150.2	129.8	160.4	162.9	154.0
28's	do.	---	---	---	---	---	---	138.3	137.2
26's	do.	102.5	92.2	105.0	127.7	102.8	126.4	128.6	120.6
22's	do.	82.5	82.1	96.3	108.1	83.5	107.8	107.9	103.2
18's	do.	72.5	76.2	91.4	101.4	75.3	101.3	102.6	97.6

1/ Production in 7 leading States (Arizona, California, Missouri, New Mexico, Oregon, Texas, and Utah).

2/ Production as reported converted on basis of 82 percent yield, the yield factor adopted by the Bureau of the Census to convert stocks reported greasy to a scoured basis.

3/ Includes mohair held on consignment, foreign mohair held in bond, and mohair in process of manufacture up to the carding operation but excludes mohair held for the account of or by growers.

4/ Includes only mohair not advanced in any manner or by any process of manufacture beyond washed, scoured, or carbonized condition.

5/ Includes mohair and other wool-like specialty hair.

6/ Not available. Bureau of the Census reports show only combined figure for mohair, alpaca, vicuna, etc., on woolen system.

7/ Weighted average.

Data on stocks, imports, exports, and consumption compiled from reports of the Bureau of the Census; Boston market prices compiled from Weekly Review of the Boston Wool Market (USDA).

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